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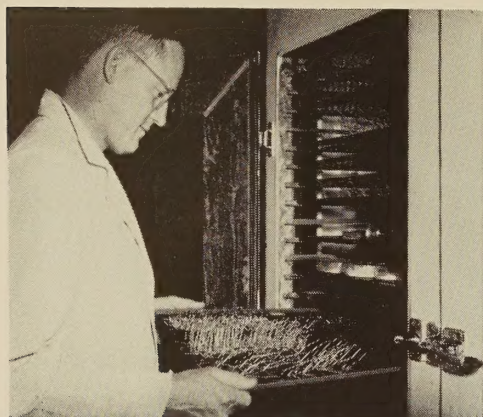
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Robson Quality Seeds

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ROBSON TRIPLE-TESTED SEEDS



TESTED IN THE LABORATORY

All Robson Quality Seeds are tested in the laboratory for germination and vigor. Robson seeds must meet standards much higher than the State or Federal requirements.

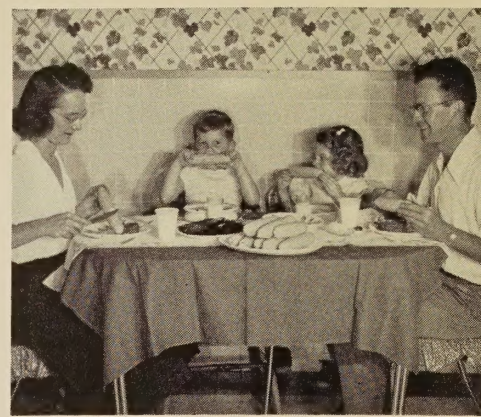
On each packet of vegetable or flower seed is plainly printed the percentage of the seed that may under good conditions be expected to produce normal plants. Many states do not require seedsmen to include this information. It is an added service that goes with Robson Quality Seeds.



TESTED IN THE TRIAL GROUNDS

The second step in the testing and distribution of Robson Quality Seeds is the trial grounds. Here samples of the different lots of vegetable and flower seeds are planted and compared as to growth, uniformity and maturity. Here new vegetables and flowers are tested to determine their apparent value and place as commercial or home garden varieties.

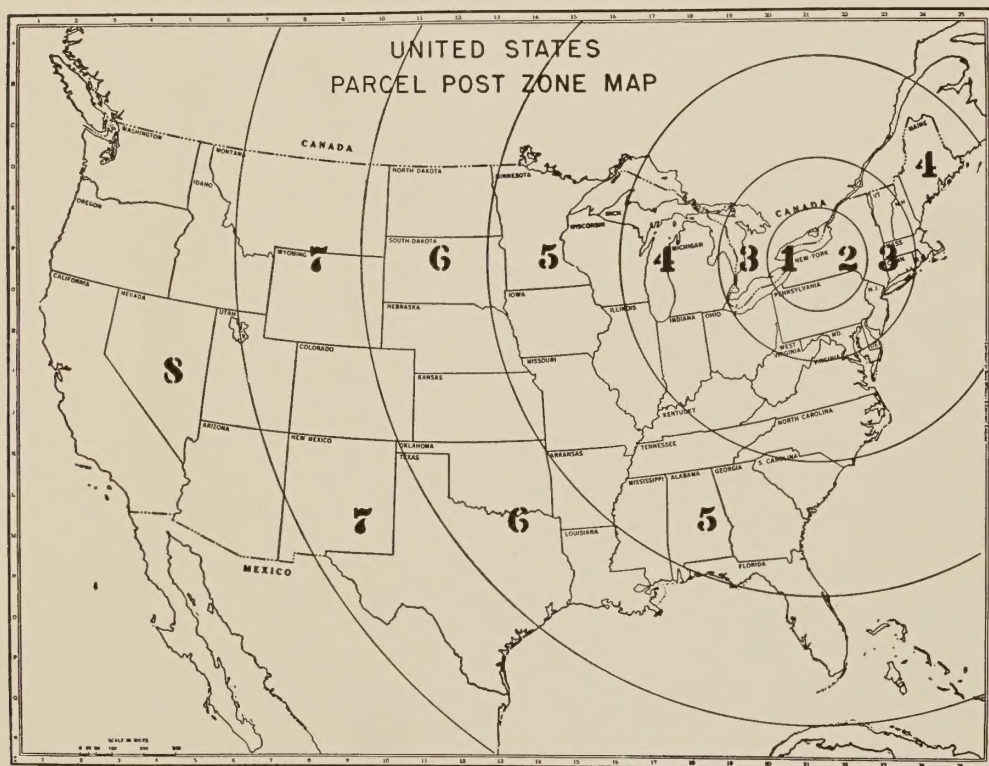
The results of these tests together with regional trials determine what new varieties are listed in this catalog.



TESTED ON THE TABLE

The proof of the pudding is in the eating. This also applies to vegetables. We do not eat with our eyes alone. A vegetable variety to be highly recommended in this catalog must have acceptable appearance and high eating quality.

Before a new variety can meet Robson High Quality standards it must be approved by family taste panels. One of the most critical of these is Gordon and Thelma Jones together with Tommy and Susan. Gordon has charge of the Robson trial grounds.



We pay postage to and including the 4th postal zone. For additional postage charges see notation, SHIPPING CHARGES, in column at right.

PLEASE READ BEFORE ORDERING

SHIPPING CHARGES. We pay transportation charges in the U.S.A. up to and including the 4th postal zone on all items in this catalog except those marked, Not Prepaid. Shipment will be made by parcel post, express or freight, whichever is most economical, at our option. If you specify express where we would ordinarily ship by freight, your order will be shipped by express collect and the freight rate refunded.

If you live in postal zones 5, 6, 7, or 8, please include additional postage for each pound or fraction thereof as shown in the following table.

ADDITIONAL POSTAGE REQUIRED

Zone 5	Zone 6	Zone 7	Zone 8
2c per lb.	5c per lb.	8c per lb.	11c per lb.

NOT PREPAID ITEMS. Field and grass seed and other items listed "Not Prepaid" are shipped at your expense by express or freight collect. We can ship up to 70 lbs. by parcel post. If parcel post shipment is desired you should ask your local postmaster for the amount of postage required for the item and add this amount to the price when making remittance. Note shipping weights given for these items.

HOW TO REMIT — Send Money Order or Check with your order. You save money by sending remittance with order. The Post Office and Express Company make extra charges for C.O.D. shipments.

C.O.D. SHIPMENTS. We cannot accept C.O.D. orders for perishable items such as plants, bulbs, roots, onion sets, nursery stock, Hotents or Fertile Pots. We require a 25% down payment with order on other non-perishable items when shipped C.O.D.

PLEASE ORDER EARLY. Ordinarily we can ship your order within 24 hours. If you order early you will have your seed when you need it and will avoid delays in delivery.

CONDITIONS OF SALE — All of our seeds, both flower and vegetable, are tested for germination. The percentage of germination appears on every package of seed we sell. No seeds are sold by us that we do not have reason to believe are of good quality and will grow under normal conditions.

We assume responsibility of the seeds, plants and bulbs reaching the purchaser in good condition. However, in common with all re-

sponsible seedsmen, we warrant, to the extent of the purchase price, that seeds, plants, bulbs, and tubers sold are as described on the container, within recognized tolerances. We give no other or further warranty, express or implied.

TERMS OF SALE for all items in catalog are **NET CASH** with order. All prices here quoted are subject to change without notice and to our stocks being unsold.

FOR DETAILED INDEX SEE INSIDE BACK COVER



GOLDEN HONEY CREAM WATERMELON

330—An extra early watermelon that matures in short season areas having a delicious golden yellow flesh and thin rind making it unique and distinctive among watermelon varieties. The fruits are large, nearly round in shape; light green in color with attractive darker green stripes. The flesh is firm with a solid interior and has a wonderful sweetness and flavor that makes mighty good eating. Those who have grown it before will note we have changed the name to Golden Honey Cream. Through our breeding program we have intensified and deepened the yellow color—we think the flesh is more attractive than before. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 50¢; oz. 75¢; ¼ lb. \$1.60.



HYBRID HULLESS POP CORN

235—(Minhybrid 250) The best tasting and most productive early white pop corn for the northeast. No other variety can compare with Hybrid Hulless for tenderness, sweetness and all-round goodness. The deep, pointed kernels have an unusually thin skin and pop nearly 100% making tender, fluffy white pop corn that the whole family will enjoy. Grow some in the garden this summer and treat yourself to some delicious eating when fall and winter come. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 60¢; lb. \$1.00; 2 lbs. \$1.95.

FOR LARGER QUANTITY PRICES
SEE FOLLOWING PAGES

Robson's SWEET CORN SUGGESTIONS

SPECIAL HYBRID CORN COLLECTION

Our three highest quality hybrids for home gardens maturing at week to ten day intervals apart. Plant all three at first planting and make successive plantings of Seneca Chief for top quality sweet corn all season.

1 Packet Seneca 60 25¢

1 Packet Seneca Arrow 25¢

½ Pound Seneca Chief 70¢

\$1.20

For only \$1.00 Postpaid

210—SENECA ARROW—76 days. Fully a week to ten days earlier than Seneca Chief and nearly equaling it in flavorful good eating. Seneca Arrow fills the gap in maturity between Seneca 60 and Seneca Chief with heavy yields of 7", 12-16 rowed, large cylindrical ears filled with very deep, rich golden yellow, tender, sweet kernels. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 70¢; lb. \$1.10; 2 lbs. \$2.15.

215—SENECA CHIEF—86 days. Known from Maine to California as America's best tasting sweet corn. Gardeners by the score tell us Seneca Chief is the sweetest, tenderest, best flavored corn they have ever eaten. Ears are 8½" long with 12-14 rows of deep, narrow kernels of exceptional quality. It holds in good eating condition on the stalks longer than other varieties; produces two good ears per stalk and with good conditions even three. Seneca Chief is best for freezing too. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 70¢; lb. \$1.10; 2 lbs. \$2.15.

200—SENECA 60—63 days. Earliest of all sweet corn hybrids yet exceptionally high in quality. Ears are 6½" long, mostly 10 and 12 rowed, with golden yellow, medium deep, tender kernels. For a productive first early corn with that old Golden Bantam flavor we highly recommend Seneca 60—the first good eating of the season. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 70¢; lb. \$1.10; 2 lbs. \$2.15.

Seneca Chief



Seneca Arrow

Seneca 60





SURECROP HYBRID CUCUMBERS

254 — Why do we sell more Surecrop Hybrid seed to home gardeners than any other slicing variety? Its popularity is due to its amazing yields of attractive, long, delicious slicers from early summer to late in the fall. The healthy, vigorous, disease-free vines just continue to bear when other varieties often fail. Pkt. 50¢; ½ oz. \$2.20; oz. \$3.65; ¼ lb. \$11.65.



TENDERGREEN BEANS

10 — Tendergreen has been tops with us for years because it is unequalled in quality, rich flavor and tenderness. Now our new strain is even better in that it is no longer susceptible to mosaic disease and the pods are longer and straighter. The 6 inch pods are stringless, fiberless, brittle and meaty. Excellent for freezing. We suggest making small plantings of Tendergreen every 2 or 3 weeks to have fresh beans all summer. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 50¢; lb. 80¢; 2 lbs. \$1.55.

ROBSON TRIPLE-TESTED SEEDS ARE BEST FOR YOUR GARDEN

TESTED IN THE LABORATORY—All Robson Quality Seeds are tested in the laboratory for germination and vigor. Robson seed standards are much higher than State or Federal requirements.

TESTED IN THE TRIAL GROUNDS — Samples of all the different lots of our regularly cataloged varieties are grown and checked for vigor, uniformity and trueness-to-type. New varieties are grown and compared with standard varieties to find their adaptability and value before being recommended in our catalog.

TESTED ON THE TABLE— A vegetable variety to be highly recommended in our catalog must have acceptable appearance and high eating quality.



NANTES CARROTS

161 — Our customers tell us that Nantes is the sweetest, most tender and delicately flavored carrot that we offer. They are excellent served raw as strips or curls and are delicious cooked and buttered. Sow Nantes from early spring to midsummer and be sure of plenty of crisp, tender carrots—they store well for winter use. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 35¢; oz. 60¢.

COMET RADISHES

390—Our most popular home garden variety for two good reasons—Comet is tops in quality and will stand much longer than any other variety without getting soft or pithy. By making several sowings you can continue to enjoy crisp, mild radishes until fall. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 75¢.

SENECA BUTTERCUP SQUASH

425 — This is our favorite of the winter squashes. Seneca Buttercup is a distinct, outstanding variety noted for its dryness, excellent flavor and quality. Flesh is deep golden orange, smooth in texture and entirely free of stringiness. Just the right size for the family. Buttercup is excellent for freezing too. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 40¢; oz. 60¢; ¼ lb. \$1.50.



WANDO PEAS

360—Ever had peas fail because hot weather hit them? You won't with Wando — they thrive in mid-summer heat. Plantings as late as July 1st will produce a good crop. Vines are dwarf and amazing in yield. Pods are well filled with attractive dark green, tender peas of excellent quality both fresh and frozen. ½ lb. 55¢; lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$2.30.



BEANS

Make first plantings when soil is thoroughly warm. Be sure to make successive plantings every 2 or 3 weeks for snap beans 'til frost.

DDT or MALATHION SPRAY will control leaf hoppers that feed on leaves.

Use ROTENONE or MALATHION SPRAY (see page 18) to control Mexican Bean Beetles. Watch undersides of bean leaves in June; at first sign of young beetles or their orange colored eggs, dust or spray thoroughly.

GREEN BUSH SNAP BEANS

Vitamins A b_1 C b_2

Pkt. will plant 20 ft. row; a pound 150 ft.

- ★10 **TENDERGREEN:** 53 days. We believe that the long, round, high quality pod of Tendergreen still keep it at the top of the list as a green bush bean for the table, canning and freezing. See picture in color and full description on opposite page. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 50¢; 1 lb. 80¢; 2 lbs. \$1.55; 5 lbs. \$2.95.

Illustrated in color opposite page

- 8 **SLENDERGREEN:** 54 days. A new green bush bean that greatly impressed us in our trials this summer in spite of extremely adverse bean growing conditions. Slendergreen is similar to Tendergreen in color, however, the pods are slimmer and much smoother making them especially attractive and desirable for the table, canning and freezing. We also found Slendergreen to be tops in good eating quality. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; 1 lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$2.95.

- 9 **WADE:** 55 days. All-America Winner 1952. An outstanding and attractive new snap bean that has the darkest, richest green pods of any variety we have seen and they are long, slender and straight. Matures slightly later than Tendergreen and like Tendergreen sets its pods over a long period giving at least 2 or 3 pickings. Wade is excellent in quality and is unequalled in beautiful dark green appearance both fresh and frozen. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; 1 lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$2.95.

- 11 **TOPCROP:** 50 days. All-America Winner 1950. Earlier than Tendergreen or Wade, Topcrop is extremely productive even under adverse conditions and it is resistant to common bean mosaic. Pod set is concentrated. The quality is excellent, however, pods ripen quickly and tend to become lumpy and creasebacked if not picked when ready. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; 1 lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$2.95.

SHELL BEANS

Vitamins B G Pkt. will plant 20 ft. row.

- 50 **SENECA HORTICULTURAL:** 60 days. A favorite in New England and many other sections, Seneca Horticultural is used as a green shell bean to be eaten fresh, canned or frozen. Seneca is a new early strain of Horticultural or Cranberry bean that produces heavy yields of pods 6 to 8 in. long, straight and heavily splashed with bright red which gives them a striking and attractive appearance. Seeds large, pinkish-buff mottled with red. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; 1 lb. 90¢; 2 lbs. \$1.70; 5 lbs. \$3.25.

BEAN MAGGOT CONTROL

To control bean maggot and prevent seed decay we recommend treating the seed with a fungicide and an insecticide. Bottle sufficient to treat 2 lbs. of seed. 15¢.

“AERO” CYANAMID: A fertilizer for asparagus that also controls weeds. Apply at the rate of 1 lb. to 30 ft. of row. 5 lbs. \$1.25. Descriptive folder will be sent on request.



Slendergreen is a Tendergreen bean that has been slenderized to give it more eye appeal. The slender pods look younger and more tender.



In this picture the Fordhook 242 lima beans look small but we assure you they are a large thick bean; the best bearer of all large seeded limas.

ASPARAGUS SEED

Vitamins a b_1 C b_2

- ★5 **SENECA WASHINGTON ASPARAGUS SEED:** A strain of Washington developed on our farms that is superior to Mary Washington in yield, size of shoot, vigor and uniformity. Seneca Washington is as resistant to disease as its parents and shoots are large, green with purple compact tips. Pkt. 25¢; oz. 80¢.

SENECA WASHINGTON ASPARAGUS ROOTS: Due to adverse growing conditions we regret that our root crop failed.

YELLOW BUSH SNAP BEANS

Vitamins a b_1 C b_2

Pkt. will plant 20 ft. row

- ★24 **PENCIL POD BLACK WAX:** 56 days. In our opinion Pencil Pod is still the best wax bean for home gardeners to grow. It is outyielded by Cherokee and Puregold and its pods are not as straight; however, the round pods have a clear rich yellow color, are firm and solid like pencils, stringless, brittle, free of fibre, and outstanding in flavor and good eating quality. Fine for canning and freezing. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 50¢; 1 lb. 80¢; 2 lbs. \$1.55; 5 lbs. \$2.80.

- 25 **PUREGOLD WAX:** 65 days. An attractive, heavy yielding mosaic resistant wax bean maturing a week later than Pencil Pod and sets its pods over a longer period. When planted early, Puregold produces exceptionally vigorous vines but sets no pods, however, when planted later it produces abundantly. Pods are long, round, slim, golden yellow. The flesh is tender and of fine quality. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; 1 lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$3.15.

Capital letters (A) indicate high content of that Vitamin. Small letters (a) indicate limited amount of that Vitamin.

BUSH LIMA BEANS

Vitamins a B_1 c b_2

Pkt. will plant 10 ft. row; ½ lb. 35 ft.

- ★35 **FORDHOOK U. S. 242:** 75 days. We have found after several years of testing limas on our farms that Fordhook 242 is the best large seeded bush lima bean for both market and home use. It has proven itself more productive and much more dependable even under unfavorable weather conditions than the old Fordhook. Pods are uniform and well-filled with plump, thick, oval beans of finest quality. The flavor is delicious and is not only excellent to eat fresh but is also best for freezing and canning. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; 1 lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$2.95.

- 36 **TRIUMPH:** 72 days. A new “baby lima” that has taken the place of Baby Potato because of superior quality. The pods are small, about 3 in. long and are tightly filled with 3 or 4 thick delicious small beans. The flavor is excellent and they hold their green color well for both canning and freezing. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; 1 lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$2.95.

TREATED BEAN SEED

All Lima Bean seed is treated before shipment with an insecticide and a fungicide to prevent maggot damage and to protect seed from decaying—permits earlier planting.

BEANS—Continued on next page.

For Larger Quantities and Other Varieties Please Refer to, or Ask for, Our Commercial Grower Quantity Price List

POLE BEANS

A woven wire fence makes an ideal support for pole beans, or you can use poles. Plant 5 or 6 beans around each pole and thin to 3.

★56 **SCOTIA SNAP BEAN:** 72 days. We like Scotia better than Kentucky Wonder. It produces a smoother, straighter pod and holds in edible condition longer. Vines 4½ to 5 ft., very hardy. Pods 6 in. long, round, smooth, green, tender, and of distinctive flavor. Pkt. 20¢; ½ lb. 45¢; lb. 80¢; 2 lbs. \$1.50; 5 lbs. \$2.80.

55 **KENTUCKY WONDER SNAP BEAN:** 64 days. A popular pole variety with many gardeners because of its distinctive flavor when picked young. Pods mature 8 to 10 days earlier than Scotia and are very long, 8 inches, oval and lumpy. Vines are not as vigorous, heavy or prolific as Scotia. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$2.80.

58 **KING OF THE GARDEN LIMA:** 88 days. We have replaced Early Leviathan pole lima with King of the Garden because it is more productive, more consistent in producing a good crop, and it is equally fine in quality. Vines vigorous, strong climbers, 8 to 10 ft. Pods are 5 to 6 in. long, flat and smooth with 4 to 5 large, flat, pale green seeds per pod. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$2.95.

DRY BEANS FOR BAKING

44 **MONROE (Certified):** 85 days. A superior new white pea bean variety developed at Cornell. Monroe is mosaic resistant, early maturing, heavy yielding and is considered to be the best small white navy bean. Pkt. 20¢; ½ lb. 35¢; lb. 55¢; 2 lbs. \$1.05; 5 lbs. \$2.25.

46 **PERRY MARROW (Certified):** 95 days. Plump white beans, larger than Monroe, and of excellent baking quality. It matures 8 to 10 days later than Monroe and does not pod quite as heavily. An especially pure strain developed by Dr. Munger of Cornell. Pkt. 20¢; ½ lb. 40¢; lb. 65¢; 2 lbs. \$1.15; 5 lbs. \$2.50.

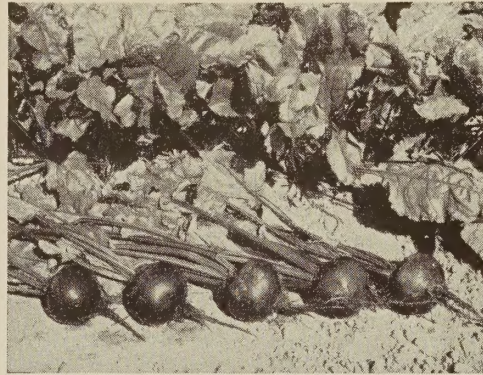
47 **CALIFORNIA RED KIDNEY:** 100 days. California grown seed is free from blight. Pkt. 20¢; ½ lb. 40¢; lb. 65¢; 2 lbs. \$1.15; 5 lbs. \$2.50.

BROCCOLI

Vitamins A b₁ C b₂

Many people who enjoy the delicious flavor of fresh or frozen broccoli do not realize how easy it is to grow. If started in greenhouse or hot bed April 1st and transplanted into open ground, broccoli will be ready to use the first week in July. Later plantings can be made in the open ground and either transplanted or thinned to 24 inches in row. Best quality heads are produced from seed sown about June 1st. The large center head develops first, and after this is cut, the plant forms numerous branch heads.

★110 **ITALIAN GREEN SPROUTING:** 70 days. Ours is a dependable strain that is sure-heading and uniform, each plant producing a large center head and many side shoots of good size. Medium early in maturity with large vigorous plants producing compact, dark blue green tightly budded heads of excellent quality—fine for bunching and freezing. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 85¢; ¼ lb. \$1.80.



Our Seneca Detroit Beet was bred for quality; cooks tender in less time; is deep rich red all the way through.

★90 **SENECA DETROIT:** 68 days. Our strain of Detroit beet has always been recognized as one of the best of this popular variety. Our plant breeders have now developed a better strain, Seneca Detroit. The beets are extremely uniform in size, shape and attractive deep red color. Ideal for table use, as well as for canning and pickling because of its tenderness, sweetness and excellent quality. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 45¢; ¼ lb. 85¢; ½ lb. \$1.15; lb. \$1.60.

MANGEL BEETS

105 **GIANT HALF SUGAR ROSE:** 90 days. Heavy yielding variety grown for stock and poultry feed. Roots are long, oval, and tapered with rose colored shoulder. They grow over half out of the ground so are easily harvested. The flesh is white and is rich in sugar. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 30¢; ¼ lb. 45¢; lb. \$1.10; 2 lbs. \$2.15; 5 lbs. \$5.25.



Green Mountain is better than the older varieties of early garden broccoli—larger heads, better flavor, holds in eating condition longer.

112 **GREEN MOUNTAIN:** 60 days. A new and distinct early green sprouting broccoli replacing the popular DeCicco strain because it is just as early, larger in size and better in color. The large center heads are compact—fine budded, dark blue green, with well-branched stems that are easily divided when cut for freezing. Large side shoots develop after center head is cut; it is long standing—slow to go into bloom. Quality is excellent both fresh and frozen. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 65¢; oz. 95¢; ¼ lb. \$2.60.

BEETS

Vitamins a b₁ c b₂ Pkt. will sow 20 ft. row; an ounce 80 ft.

Sow beets early in the spring and for continuous harvest plan to make additional sowings at 2 or 3 week intervals until mid-July. Plan to put some late planted Seneca Detroit beets in a pit or root cellar covering with sand; they will keep in tender condition well into the winter.

92 **EARLY WONDER (Tall Top Strain):** 60 days. The best early beet for table use. Compared with Crosby, Early Wonder roots are not as flat, have less of the light colored interior zoning and are better in quality although not equal to Detroit Dark Red. Tops are tall, upright, green tinged with red. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 40¢; ¼ lb. 75¢; ½ lb. \$1.10; lb. \$1.60.

94 **BEETS FOR GREENS:** (Vitamins A C B₂). Beet greens are both healthful and appetizing, and they are one of the easiest and quickest vegetables to grow. This is a quick growing, large topped strain that produces an abundance of fine greens. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 60¢; ½ lb. 85¢; lb. \$1.40.

BRUSSELS SPROUTS

Vitamins a b₁ C

Seed hot water treated

Culture same as Broccoli

★115 **LONG ISLAND IMPROVED, CAT-SKILL STRAIN:** 90 days. This delicious vegetable has long been a favorite—profitable for market and a fine fall and winter vegetable for the home garden. Plant dwarf, compact, 20 in. tall, very uniform. Stem well covered with firm, round, tiny cabbage-like heads which mature in succession. Ours is a dependable highly productive strain. Light freezes improve the quality. Pkt. 25¢; ¼ oz. 75¢; ½ oz. \$1.25; oz. \$2.15; ¼ lb. \$5.50.

CELERY

Vitamins a b₁ c b₂

1 oz. should produce about 8,000 plants. For early planting the seed should be started indoors or in hotbed in February or early March. For later celery sow seed in open ground as early as possible.

★185 **EMERSON PASCAL:** 120 days. New and increasingly popular green celery because of its wonderful flavor, tenderness, quality and its blight resistance. Its stems are long, thick and crisp. Emerson has distinctive finely cut leaves. Pkt. 20¢; ¼ oz. 60¢; ½ oz. 95¢; oz. \$1.60; ¼ lb. \$5.25.

184 **SUMMER PASCAL:** 120 days. One of the finest quality green celeries. Stems are thick and tender; they have a rich full flavor. Blanches to a pure white. Pkt. 20¢; ¼ oz. 45¢; ½ oz. 75¢; oz. \$1.35; ¼ lb. \$4.50.

180 **CORNELL 619:** 100 days. An early, easy blanching strain of outstanding quality. Hearts long; stems thick, rounded, smooth in texture. Resistant to fusarium yellows. Pkt. 20¢; ¼ oz. 50¢; ½ oz. 85¢; oz. \$1.55; ¼ lb. \$5.25.

CELERIAC

190 **LARGE PRAGUE:** 110 days. Turnip rooted celery is very delicious in fall and winter; produces large bulb-like roots with a pleasant nut-like celery flavor. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 50¢; oz. 85¢; ¼ lb. \$2.40.

"We have planted some of your Seneca Zucchini Summer Squash for the past two years. They were the best we ever grew."

Mr. John A. Scholz
Minneapolis 20, Minn.

★ Indicates Varieties that we Personally Consider to be the Best for the Home Garden

CAULIFLOWER

Vitamins a b₁ C b₂ Pkt. should produce 75 plants; an ounce 2,000 plants

Best quality cauliflower is produced when planted to mature in the fall. Sow the seed outdoors in late spring and transplant in early July in rows 3 ft. apart and 18 to 24 inches apart in row. If your soil is light you can sow the seed thin in the row and then

thin the plants to desired spacing without having to transplant. Plants are not checked in their growth at all when grown in this way. As soon as the heads begin to form, draw the leaves over and tie them together to protect and blanch the heads.



If you want cauliflower that will mature over quite a period of time, we recommend Snowball Perfected strain.

★171 **SNOWBALL PERFECTED STRAIN:** 60-65 days. The standard variety for the Northeast. This strain is probably planted more widely than any other and is the best cauliflower for home gardeners. The heads are deep and heavy, of uniformly good size, beautifully white and with a tight attractive curd. Our Perfected strain produces an abundance of long leaves close to the head which make it largely self-protecting. Pkt. 50¢; 1/4 oz. 95¢; 1/2 oz. \$1.65; oz. \$3.00.

All of our cauliflower seed is Hot Water Treated. Treated seed is free from seed-borne diseases—gives better crops.

170 **EARLY SNOWBALL:** 55 days. The best strain for extra early crop. Heads of good depth, solid, ivory white and of fine quality. Plants medium height; inner leaves cover head well. Pkt. 50¢; 1/4 oz. \$1.00; 1/2 oz. \$1.80; oz. \$3.30.

175 **SENECA SNOWBALL:** 58 days. Seneca Snowball is a new sure-heading strain maturing a little earlier and more evenly than Perfected Strain of Snowball. The curds are snow white, deep, tight and well-formed with good leaf protection. Seneca Snowball is fine in quality both fresh and frozen. Pkt. 50¢; 1/4 oz. 95¢; 1/2 oz. \$1.65; oz. \$3.00.

★174 **NEW EARLY PURPLE HEAD:** 73 days. To us an outstanding home garden variety because of its superior eating and freezing quality. The heads grow large and are deep purple on top but turn green when cooked. It tastes a great deal like Broccoli but is even better flavored. Heads mature over a relatively long period and tying is not necessary as they are not blanched. Pkt. 50¢; 1/4 oz. 95¢; 1/2 oz. \$1.65; oz. \$3.00.



If you have never tried Purple Head Cauliflower you have missed a real treat. It is easy to grow from seed and one of the best vegetables for freezing.

CARROTS

Vitamins A b₁ c b₂ Pkt. will sow 30 ft. row; 1/2 oz. 100 ft.

To produce long, smooth carrots the soil must be worked deep to 8 or 10 inches and not allowed to become compacted. Young carrots are more tender and sweet for table use; therefore, it is wise to make several sowings until about June 30th. Late sown carrots can be covered with sand in pits or root cellars for winter use. Nantes is by far the best home garden variety.

★161 **NANTES:** 68 days. We have tested many varieties of carrots in our trial grounds but have never found one superior to Nantes for tenderness and flavor. Roots are smooth, 6-7 in. long; 1 1/4 in. thick, cylindrical, stump-rooted and the flesh is a bright orange, sweet and tender. We highly recommend Nantes. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 35¢; oz. 60¢; 1/4 lb. \$1.30; 1/2 lb. \$1.90.

Illustrated in color in front of catalog

157 **GOLD PAK:** 73 days. All-America Winner for 1956. An exceptional new carrot in its remarkable uniformity of long, straight, slender carrots of fine quality and attractive appearance. Flesh is an ideal rich orange color with small indistinct cores. Roots are smooth with short, bushy, strong tops. Pkt. 25¢; 1/2 oz. 50¢; oz. 85¢; 1/4 lb. \$1.60; 1/2 lb. \$2.50.

159 **GOLD SPIKE:** 70 days. A new variety that has been outstanding in our trials for producing attractive long, slender, straight carrots. Gold Spike has fine color and is tender but does not equal Nantes in sweetness. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 35¢; oz. 60¢; 1/4 lb. \$1.30; 1/2 lb. \$1.90.

158 **ROYAL CHANTENAY:** 70 days. Not only has this new improved Red Cored Chantenay been impressive in our trial grounds but many large-scale, critical carrot growers are highly enthused about its quality, appearance and yield. The carrots are longer, smoother, more cylindrical, excellent in interior and exterior color and outstanding in tenderness, flavor and sweetness. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 35¢; oz. 60¢; 1/4 lb. \$1.30; 1/2 lb. \$1.90.

164 **RED CORED CHANTENAY:** 70 days. The variety most widely used as a canning carrot. The roots grow 4 to 5 inches long and are tapered and quite stump rooted. The core is almost the same color as the flesh which gives it the name Red Cored. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢; 1/4 lb. \$1.20; 1/2 lb. \$1.70.



At last we have a long slender smooth carrot that can be successfully grown in the East. We are sure you will like Gold Pak.

ROBSON'S CALENDAR

Your copy of our 1956 calendar (14 x 17 inches) shows all the months at a glance; each day is numbered. Just the calendar for the office, home, or barn. Free for the asking.

"Your seeds are wonderful.—We had outstanding crops last year."
April, 1955

James Paige
Jamestown, N. Y.

CHICORY

192 **WITLOOF OR FRENCH ENDIVE:** Seed sown in May produces roots which when dug, trimmed and placed in sand in a warm dark place in the winter, throw out large white sprouts which are used as a salad. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 35¢; oz. 65¢; 1/4 lb. \$1.65.

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CABBAGE

Vitamins a b₁ C b₂ Pkt. should produce 200 plants; an ounce 1500 plants

For early cabbage in the Northeast start indoors or in hotbeds in February or March. For medium early cabbage sow outdoors as early as possible and transplant when large enough. For late cabbage sow about May 20th and transplant by July 1st.

Green cabbage worms and loopers can do a lot of damage to cabbage, cauliflower and broccoli—5% DDT easily controls them. DDT should not be used within 30 days of harvest; Rotenone is a good, safe insecticide for this period. (See page 18).



Special Golden Acre is a selection that combines earliness and high quality in a head that is just the right size for the average family.

★120 **SPECIAL GOLDEN ACRE (Yellows Resistant)**: 63 days. Our new strain of Special Golden Acre retains its popular characteristics of first-earliness, uniformity in ideal size, shape and attractiveness and in addition is now yellows resistant. We believe ours is the finest early Golden Acre. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 90¢; ¼ lb. \$2.20.

126 **WISCONSIN COPENHAGEN**: 72 days. A new yellows resistant Copenhagen that is medium early, uniform, short-stemmed and produces excellent 4 to 6 lb. heads of excellent quality. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 90¢; ¼ lb. \$2.20.

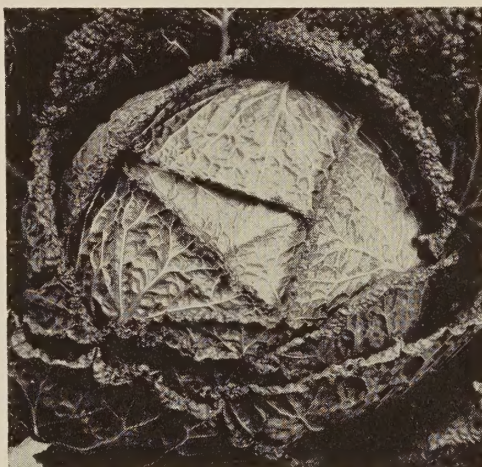
134 **ROBSON LARGE GLORY**: 85 days. A large strain of Glory of Enkhuizen especially adapted for kraut in areas where yellows is not a problem. Heads large, round, very solid, under favorable conditions weigh 12 to 15 lbs. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 45¢; oz. 75¢; ¼ lb. \$1.80.



Robson Large Glory is the most popular cabbage for sauerkraut. The heads are large, narrow ribbed and tender.

131 **O-S CROSS HYBRID**: 88 days. All-America Winner. A true F₁ hybrid that is remarkable for its extreme uniformity in size and shape of its extra large flat heads, its even maturity and tremendous yields. Heads are large, solid, flat, commonly 12 in. across, 5½ in. deep, weighing 8 to 10 lbs. O-S Cross Hybrid is amazing in its huge size and uniformity. Pkt. 35¢; ½ oz. \$1.15; oz. \$2.15.

★148 **CHIEFTAIN SAVOY**: 90 days. If you have never eaten Savoy cabbage, you will enjoy its tenderness, mildness, and pleasant appetizing flavor not found in ordinary kinds. The heads grow large, firm, round in shape and are heavily blistered or "savoyed" throughout. Be sure to wait until the heads are fully mature before eating; if used before ripening it is apt to be tough and somewhat strong. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 90¢; oz. \$1.45; ¼ lb. \$3.60.



There is no cabbage quite equal to Chieftain Savoy for late fall and winter use. Cooked with meat it takes up the flavor. Cabbage salad made with Chieftain does not become watery.

★145 **RED DANISH BALLHEAD**: 100 days. Our strain of Red Danish we believe is the most satisfactory and dependable variety to grow. Heads average 4 to 6 lbs., are round, slightly flattened at top, very solid. Widely used for pickling and coleslaw; stores well. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 90¢; ¼ lb. \$2.20.

CHINESE CABBAGE

★149 **MICHIHLI**: 75 days. Not a true cabbage; the attractive dark green leaves fold up close together making firm, long heads tapering at the top that are tender, crisp and blanched white inside. Seed should be sown early in July, if sown earlier plants may go to seed without forming heads. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 35¢; oz. 65¢; ¼ lb. \$1.25.

DANDELION

272 **LARGE THICK LEAVED**: The most popular variety of our cultivated dandelion. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. \$1.00; oz. \$1.65; ¼ lb. \$3.75.



Here is a new cabbage that you should try. C-C Cross Hybrid comes from Japan. It is the earliest cabbage that we have ever grown. We think you will like it.

123 **C-C CROSS HYBRID**: 60 days. A most promising new F₁ hybrid cabbage that is extremely early, maturing even ahead of our Special Golden Acre with attractive dark green heads of fine quality. Heads are very uniform, solid, round, 6 in. in diameter and weigh 3 to 4 lbs. each—just the right size for the average family. Pkt. 35¢; ½ oz. \$1.15; oz. \$2.15.

140 **SENECA DANISH BALLHEAD**: 95 days. Bred in our cabbage growing area of New York State, Seneca Danish Ballhead is adapted to the soil and climate of the Northeast. A medium-size Danish Ballhead cabbage that is heavy, uniform in shape and keeps well in storage. Seneca Danish is short stemmed and outstanding in yield, uniformity and appearance. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 90¢; ¼ lb. \$2.20.

142 **EMPIRE DANISH BALLHEAD (Yellows Resistant)**: 95 days. An outstanding achievement in cabbage breeding by Dr. Henry Munger of Cornell brings us a sorely needed Danish that is yellows resistant. Empire heads are solid, uniform in size and shape—a fine Danish type that should be grown wherever "yellows" is a problem. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 90¢; ¼ lb. \$2.20.

For larger quantities and other varieties please refer to, or ask for, our "Commercial Grower Quantity Price List".

COLLARDS

194 **GEORGIA**: 90 days. A loose-leaved plant of the cabbage family used for greens—does not form a head. Very popular in the South. Plants 2 to 3 ft. tall, erect and spreading. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 55¢.

CRESS

★270 **FINE CURLED (Pepper Grass)**: Finely cut and curled leaves. Attractive and has a pleasant, pungent flavor. Pkt. 15¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 45¢; ¼ lb. 85¢.

HOT WATER TREATED SEED

All of our cabbage seed is hot water treated to control the serious cabbage diseases blackleg and black rot.



There is no sweet corn that can equal Seneca Chief in tenderness and quality. Seneca Chief is grown in every state in the Union, in Canada, Mexico and several European Countries. In seed the name Seneca stands for quality.

THE THREE BEST QUALITY SWEET CORNS FOR HOME GARDENS AND ROADSIDE STANDS

200 SENECA "60"

Earliest Best Quality Sweet Corn Hybrid That Old Bantam Flavor

★ 63 days. Earliest of all sweet corn hybrids yet exceptionally high in quality. Ears are 6½" long, mostly 10 and 12 rowed, with golden yellow, medium deep, tender kernels. For a productive first early corn with that old Golden Bantam flavor we highly recommend our Seneca 60—the first good eating of the season. Plants 4½ ft. tall, very erect. Seneca 60 is resistant to cold and can be planted earlier than most other varieties. Seneca 60 is susceptible to bacterial wilt. Growers report that Seneca 60 also performs well in the South. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 70¢; lb. \$1.10; 2 lbs. \$2.15; 5 lbs. \$3.50.

215 SENECA CHIEF

The Sweet Corn Everyone Brags About

★ 86 days. You have never tasted top quality sweet corn until you have eaten Seneca Chief. Ears 8–8½ in. long. 12–14 rows with deep, narrow, exceptionally tender high quality kernels. Seneca Chief is the best flavored variety we have ever eaten. Because of its high quality kernel it holds in good eating condition longer than other varieties and is excellent for freezing. Seneca Chief will continue to produce good size second ears over a two week period which greatly lengthens the time you can pick quality corn for the table, freezing or market. Plants sturdy, leafy, 6½ to 7 ft. tall. Seneca Chief is highly resistant to bacterial wilt. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 70¢; lb. \$1.10; 2 lbs. \$2.15; 5 lbs. \$3.50.

210 SENECA ARROW

Outstanding New Early Hybrid

★ 76 days. A new early hybrid for the Northern States and Canada that nearly equals our popular Seneca Chief in quality and is fully a week to ten days earlier maturing than Seneca Chief. Gardeners who have grown Seneca Arrow are enthusiastic about this new high quality hybrid that fills the gap in maturity between our Seneca 60 and Seneca Chief. Plants are sturdy, 6 ft., producing two 7 inch, 12–16 rowed, large, cylindrical ears, well filled to the tips. Kernels are rich golden yellow, very deep, tender and sweet. Seneca Arrow is susceptible to bacterial wilt. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 70¢; lb. \$1.10; 2 lbs. \$2.15; 5 lbs. \$3.50.



Seneca 60, the earliest sweet corn hybrid, not to be compared with Seneca Chief for eating quality, but certainly the best quality of all early hybrids. Seneca 60 is the early hybrid for the home and for the markets where eating quality counts.

You will find Seneca 60, Seneca Arrow and Seneca Chief illustrated in color in the front of the catalog.

SPECIAL HYBRID CORN COLLECTION

Our three highest quality hybrids for home gardens maturing at week to ten day intervals apart. Plant all three at first planting and make successive plantings of Seneca Chief for top quality sweet corn all season.

1 Packet	Seneca 60	25¢
1 Packet	Seneca Arrow	25¢
½ Pound	Seneca Chief	70¢

\$1.20

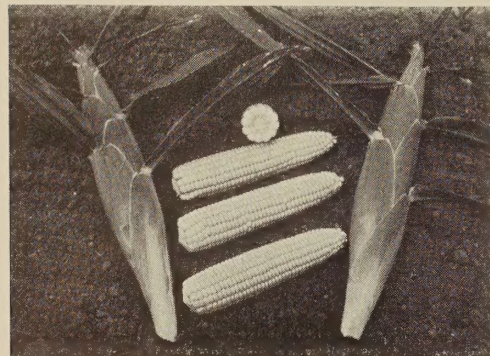
For only \$1.00, Postpaid.



Seneca Arrow matures about midway between Seneca 60 and Seneca Chief. The quality is better than Seneca 60 but not quite equal to Seneca Chief. Seneca Arrow with its 16 rows of kernels looks a little short for markets where eye appeal counts before quality.

SWEET CORN—Continued on next page.

SWEET CORN—Continued



Seneca Beauty, a new hybrid replacing Golden Beauty, is more disease resistant, has greater uniformity and produces a more attractive ear.

207 SENECA BEAUTY: 65 days. Seneca Beauty is a superior new extra early, large eared hybrid which we are introducing this year. Our Seneca Beauty Hybrid is similar to Golden Beauty developed by Dr. Lachman of the Univ. of Mass. and has all of the desirable characteristics of the original Golden Beauty, including good quality and heavy yields of straight 12 and 14 rowed ears with excellent tip-fill. In Seneca Beauty our corn breeders have incorporated more wilt resistance and greater overall uniformity and attractiveness of the ears than found in Golden Beauty. Ears are extra large and long for such an early hybrid. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 70¢; 1 lb. \$1.10; 2 lbs. \$2.15; 5 lbs. \$3.50.

217 GOLDEN CROSS BANTAM: 84 days. An old favorite that is still widely grown because of its dependable quality both fresh and frozen. Ears are long, attractive, with deep, golden yellow kernels. Golden Cross, unfortunately, has little resistance to bacterial wilt. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; 1 lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$3.25.

ALL CORN SEED IS TREATED
All our sweet corn seed is treated with a fungicide and an insecticide to protect the seed from wire worms, seed corn maggot and from rotting in the ground. Permits earlier planting.

212 SENECA GOLDEN: 72 days. Seneca Golden is an extremely uniform early strain of Golden Cross and fills the period between early and midseason varieties. Stalks 5½ ft. and produce two marketable ears on practically every stalk. Ears 7 in. long with 12 rows of deep, rich golden yellow kernels well filled to the tips on a small cob. Harvested when ready, quality is excellent. Should not be used in the South where bacterial wilt is serious. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; 1 lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$3.25.



Golden Cross Bantam, the first hybrid sweet corn, is still popular with many gardeners. Our strain has been bred for uniformity and quality.

HOW TO FREEZE CORN ON THE COB

To successfully freeze sweet corn on the cob, a variety with a small cob gives best results. We suggest using Seneca Chief. Ears should be blanched in boiling water for 6 minutes and cooled immediately in ice water. Ears can then be placed in cellophane bags and placed in the freezer.

To prepare corn for table use, remove it from the cellophane bags, place in a shallow tin and heat in a 350°F oven for 30 to 45 minutes until the ears are thoroughly warmed through to the center of the cob.

POP CORN

Pkt. will plant 150 ft. row

Plant after danger of hard frost, 1 inch deep, 8 inches apart in 30 to 36 inch rows. When planting in hills, drop 4 to 5 seeds 30 inches apart and thin to 3 main stalks.

Pop corn must have the right moisture content for proper popping. This can only be determined by test. If too dry, moisten slightly and keep in normal outdoor atmosphere. If too moist, bring indoors to living room atmosphere. A few days may be necessary for the required adjustment.

It has been our experience that the large yellow varieties such as South American are too late for most sections of the Northeast.

CORN FOR POPPING

In making Hybrid Popcorn seed, we have pollen rows that are of no use for seed but make good popping corn. Better order a few pounds to fill in until your crop is ready. Lb. 45¢; 2 lbs. 85¢; 5 lbs. \$1.70, prepaid.

★235 HYBRID HULLESS (Minhybrid 250): Developed by the Minnesota State Experiment Station, Hybrid Hulless is the best tasting and most productive early white popcorn for the Northeast. Illustrated in color and fully described in the front of the catalog. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 60¢; 1 lb. \$1.00; 2 lbs. \$1.95; 5 lbs. \$3.35.

Illustrated in color in front of catalog

236 SNOPOP. A promising new yellow rice hybrid popcorn maturing even earlier than Hybrid Hulless and is highly recommended for short season areas. Developed by Dr. R. G. Wiggans of Cornell University. Snopop is a double-cross hybrid involving 4 all yellow rice-type kernel inbreds. Snopop has a high expansibility, an extremely tender seed coat and excellent eating quality. Ears are a little longer and more slender than Hybrid Hulless. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 60¢; 1 lb. \$1.00; 2 lbs. \$1.95; 5 lbs. \$3.35.



If you like a big ear with long kernels like the old Stowells Evergreen, you will want to grow some Iochief. Iochief has a lot of corn on the cob; quality is fair.

225 IOCHIEF: 89 days. All-America Gold Medal Winner 1949. A new late maturing yellow hybrid developed by Dr. E. S. Haber of Iowa State College. Plants vigorous, 7 ft. Ears 8½ to 9 inches long with 16 to 20 rows of deep, narrow kernels of good quality. Growers have found Iochief to be highly resistant to wilt. Pkt. 25¢; ½ lb. 55¢; 1 lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$3.25.

OPEN POLLINATED SWEET CORN

231 ROBSON EXTRA EARLY BANTAM: 68 days. This used to be our earliest and best sweet corn but new hybrids are earlier and far better quality. We keep it in the list because there are some who still like the old varieties best. Stalk 4 to 4½ ft. Ears 6 inches long with 8 rows of broad yellow kernels. Pkt. 20¢; ½ lb. 40¢; 1 lb. 60¢; 2 lbs. \$1.00; 5 lbs. \$2.15; 10 lbs. \$3.70; 25 lbs. \$8.45.

233 STOWELL'S EVERGREEN: 95 days. The standard main crop white variety; used for the home garden, market and canning. Stalks are from 8 to 10 feet high. Ears about 8 to 9 inches long with 16 to 20 rows of very white grains. Pkt. 20¢; ½ lb. 40¢; 1 lb. 60¢; 2 lbs. \$1.00; 5 lbs. \$2.25; 10 lbs. \$3.90; 25 lbs. \$8.95.

DAYS TO MATURITY

The number of days to maturity which we give in each description represents days required to mature the variety under normal growing conditions in our latitude. Growing conditions vary so from year to year and from one location to another that the number of days merely indicates relative maturity of one variety with another and should be used only as a guide in ordering seed.

ORNAMENTAL CORN

1212—Indian or Calico corn is becoming increasingly popular for fall and winter decorations. Many growers are finding that these gayly colored ears sell like hot cakes when displayed in their roadside stands. It is easy to grow and fun to discover the different color combinations when husking begins. Pkt. 25¢; ¼ lb. 45¢; 1 lb. \$1.50; 5 lbs. \$7.00; 10 lbs. \$13.00.

Illustrated in color in back of catalog

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CUCUMBERS

Vitamins b_1 c b_2 Pkt. will plant 20 hills, an ounce 100 hills

Plant after danger of frost and up to middle of June in rows 5 ft. apart or in hills 5 ft. each way. It is well to put 8 to 10 seeds in each hill as some of the plants may be destroyed by bugs. After true leaves appear, thin to 4 plants per hill. If planted in rows sow 3 to 4 seeds per foot and thin to 12 to 15 inches. Keep

vines well picked for best results.

Insects and insect borne diseases are best controlled by light, even dusting or spraying at regular intervals until plants are full grown. Dust with COPPER-ROTENONE or CUKE AND MELON DUST. (See page 18).

- ★254 **SURECROP HYBRID**: 64 days. All-America Winner. Our most popular slicing variety—Surecrop always gives an outstanding performance. See picture in color and full description in front of catalog. (940 seeds per oz.) Pkt. 50¢; ½ oz. \$2.20; oz. \$3.65; ¼ lb. \$11.65.

Illustrated in color in front of catalog

- ★251 **MARKETER**: 70 days. Fruits are the most attractive we have ever seen; they are smooth, slender. 7 to 8 inches long, slightly tapered at the ends and are a beautiful deep green in color. It is susceptible to mosaic disease; if mosaic has been a problem for you—better plant Niagara or Surecrop Hybrid. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.00; ½ lb. \$1.45; lb. \$2.40.

- 256 **NIAGARA**: 67 days. Highly mosaic resistant deep green slicer developed by Dr. Munger of Cornell. Fruits slender, attractive. Under some conditions produces a percentage of curved fruits. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 45¢; ¼ lb. \$1.00; ½ lb. \$1.80; lb. \$3.00.

EGG PLANT

1 oz. should produce 1,500 plants

Start indoors in March; set outside when nights are warm.

Flea beetles sometimes practically ruin newly set egg plant. It is always best to dust the plants with Rotenone as soon as they are set.

- ★285 **NEW HAMPSHIRE**: 65 days. This variety ripens two or three weeks earlier than most varieties. Plants are medium size and productive. Fruits are good market size, medium dark purple in color—firm in texture. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. \$1.00; ¼ lb. \$2.80.

- 286 **BLACK BEAUTY**: 80 days. Fruits are blunt-oval in shape, smooth, glossy, and attractive deep purplish-black in color. A very satisfactory variety but a little late for northern sections. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 50¢; oz. 90¢; ¼ lb. \$2.50.

KALE

Vitamins A b_1 C B_2

- ★293 **DWARF CURLED VATES STRAIN**: 55 days. A very hardy and most attractive dark blue-green, low spreading variety growing 16 to 20 inches tall. Leaves are very finely curled. Used for “greens” or garnishing in late fall and winter. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 40¢; ¼ lb. 95¢.

KOHL RABI

Vitamins b_1 C

- ★295 **EARLY WHITE VIENNA**: 55 days. Bulbs flattened globe shape, pale green; interior is white, mild, crisp, and tender. When cooked it has a more delicate flavor than turnip and is not as watery. The bulbs become very tough as they grow older. For a continuous supply sow every two weeks until July. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 45¢; oz. 60¢; ¼ lb. \$1.45.



Much of the vegetable breeding today is toward disease resistant varieties. In Wisconsin SMR-12 we have resistance to both cucumber mosaic and spot rot.

- ★249 **CUCUMBER BLEND**: A special blend which contains both early and midseason pickling and slicing varieties. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢.

- 247 **EARLY WHITE SPINE**: 60 days. A popular early variety for slicing and for “dills”. Fruits are medium green, 7 to 8 in. long, and remain in good condition a remarkably long time. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 45¢; ¼ lb. 90¢; ½ lb. \$1.45; lb. \$2.40.

ENDIVE

Vitamins A b_1 C b_2

Pkt. will sow 15 ft. row, an ounce 100 ft.

Fine for salads in fall and winter and is easily grown. May be sown anytime until mid-summer. Best quality endive is produced in the fall from seed sown about July 1st.

- 289 **FULL HEART BATAVIAN (Escarole)**: 90 days. This is the best variety of broad leaved endive. Plants medium large with very deep, full, compact, well blanched hearts of infolded, broad leaves that are of thick butter texture. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 40¢; ¼ lb. 90¢.

- ★290 **GREEN CURLED PANCALIER (Chicory)**: 95 days. Popular fringed variety—more finely cut leaves than Deep Heart. The leaves are broad and are finely curled. It is a strong, robust plant and produces fine deep hearts when fully grown. It is tender and makes most appetizing and attractive salads. Centers blanch to rich creamy white. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 40¢; ¼ lb. 90¢.

FENNEL

- 276 **FLORENCE**: 110 days. Plants are 2 to 3 ft. tall; a reliable producer of firm, even bulbs. Has a pleasant anise-like flavor—used cooked or fresh in salads. When plants are half-grown, draw soil up to them to blanch the bulbs. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.20.

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PICKLING VARIETIES

- ★240 **YORKSTATE PICKLING**: 56 days. A new mosaic resistant variety developed by Dr. Munger of Cornell. The vines are vigorous and produce an abundance of pickles of excellent type over a long period. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.15; ½ lb. \$1.50; lb. \$2.50.

- 242 **WISCONSIN SMR-12**: 56 days. A promising new pickling type cucumber developed at the University of Wisconsin that is resistant to scab or spot rot and mosaic diseases and is especially recommended where these are a problem. Wisconsin SMR-12 is much like Yorkstate Pickling in type and is an early, heavy yielding variety. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.15; ½ lb. \$1.50; lb. \$2.50.

- 245 **DOUBLE YIELD**: 54 days. One of the earliest and most prolific cucumbers for pickles, small and dill, and small early slicers. Fruits are medium length, very straight with blunt ends and good color. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 45¢; ¼ lb. \$1.00; ½ lb. \$1.40; lb. \$2.25.

- 243 **MINCU**: 53 days. Primarily for pickling, Mincu is also excellent as a first early cuke for slicing. Fruits are white spined, short and blocky. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 45¢; oz. 70¢; ¼ lb. \$1.35; ½ lb. \$2.00; lb. \$3.50.

HERBS

- 278 **BASIL, SWEET**: The leaves, green or dried, are used for flavoring soups, stews, salads. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 50¢; oz. 80¢.

- ★274 **DILL, Long Island Mammoth**: 70 days. Larger and much superior to common dill. Very easily grown for making “Dill Pickles”; fine for flavoring too. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 30¢; ¼ lb. 60¢; ½ lb. 70¢; lb. \$1.10.

- 279 **THYME**: Small perennial; the aromatic foliage is popular for seasoning many foods. Protect with straw in winter. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 90¢; oz. \$1.50.

- 280 **SWEET MARJORAM**: The dried fragrant leaves are fine for seasoning meats and poultry dressing; also used fresh in salads. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 75¢; oz. \$1.20.

- 281 **SUMMER SAVORY**: The small leaves may be used fresh or dried on the stems. Excellent for flavoring meats and stuffings. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 90¢; ¼ lb. \$2.20.

- ★282 **SAGE, BROAD LEAVED**: True perennial and when once started will last for years. Home grown sage leaves are much better than the commercial product for seasoning. Pkt. 35¢; ½ oz. 85¢; oz. \$1.40; ¼ lb. \$3.45.

LEEK

- 297 **AMERICAN FLAG**: 150 days. A popular gardeners' variety with long, thick, well branched stems. Blanch by drawing earth around it—makes an appetizing salad, or can be eaten like green onions. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 45¢; oz. 80¢; ¼ lb. \$2.00.

ROBSON TRIPLE-TESTED SEEDS ARE BEST FOR YOUR GARDEN

LETTUCE

Vitamins: Head Lettuce — a b₁ c b₂

Lettuce is easily grown and with successive sowings at two week intervals, particularly with loose-leaf varieties, you can have good quality lettuce all season. Head lettuce varieties should be sown as early as possible as they do not head well in the heat of the summer. Thin plants to 12 inches apart in the row; if crowded,

Loose-Leaf Lettuce — A b₁ C b₂

heads will not form. Best results are obtained when started indoors about March 15th and set out in the garden about May 1st to 15th. Loose-leaf varieties may be thinned to 4 to 6 inches when they come up and then take out every other one to use as plants get larger.

Pkt. will sow 30 ft. row, an ounce 250 ft.



Resistance to tip burn and ability to head in warm weather makes Cornell 456 the most popular "Iceberg" type lettuce for the Northeast.

300 GREAT LAKES: 84 days. A popular large Iceberg variety that matures about 5 to 7 days later than Cornell 456. It stands well without bolting, is resistant to tip-burn, and will produce cleaner, harder heads under mid-summer heat than other varieties. The leaves are crisp, thick and very dark green with heavy ribs. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 80¢; ¼ lb. \$2.00.

MUSTARD

317 SOUTHERN GIANT CURLED: 35 days. Popular curled mustard, a highly nutritious leafy vegetable of fine flavor served either as a salad or cooked as "greens". The bright green leaves have a pleasant mild flavor and are attractively fringed and curled at the edges. Make several sowings in early spring and again in late summer. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 25¢; ¼ lb. 65¢.

PARSNIPS

Vitamins b₁ C

Pkt. will sow 40 ft. row

Seed germinates very slowly and particular care should be taken to have the soil in good condition before planting. Sow ½ inch deep in rows 18 to 24 in. apart. Thin seedlings to 4 in. apart. Parsnips may be dug in the fall and stored in a pit or in moist dirt in a cool cellar or they may be dug in the spring.

★352 HARRIS MODEL: 120 days. Roots are well-shaped, not too long, remarkably smooth and uniformly snow white. Seed is grown from selected transplanted roots. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 40¢; ¼ lb. 90¢.

COME AND SEE US

Many of you will be touring through the Finger Lakes area of New York State this summer. We invite you to visit our farms and trial grounds at Hall, New York. Take Route 14-A from Geneva or Penn Yan, N. Y.

HEADING VARIETIES

★302 CORNELL 456: 79 days. Leading Iceberg variety that is earlier and smaller heading than Great Lakes. Widely used by lettuce growers on New York muckland. It is very slow to bolt, tip-burn resistant and practically a sure header. For several years we have sown Cornell 456 in our own gardens because it is very satisfactory either as a leaf lettuce or as a heading variety. The leaves are crisp, tender, free from bitterness and of extra good eating quality. We field test all Cornell 456 lettuce seed before selling for your protection. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 90¢; ¼ lb. \$2.10.

309 COS OR ROMAINE, White Paris Self-Folding: 72 days. Quite distinctive from other lettuce varieties, Cos forms upright, elongated 10 in. heads. The leaves fold closely together forming a soft head with a heart that is blanched white. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.00.



Salad Bowl is an excellent loose-leaf lettuce. If you haven't already tried it, you should. It doesn't go to seed or become bitter.



Many prefer the Boston type head lettuce. The leaves are thin and tender; more like leaf lettuce in texture.

★305 WHITE BOSTON (Cornell 43): 74 days. The best "Butterhead" variety for home gardens. Leaves are light green, smoother and more tender than the crisp heading types. Hearts are buttery yellow. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. 95¢.

LOOSE-LEAF VARIETIES

★315 SALAD BOWL: 50 days. All-America Winner 1952. An outstanding leaf lettuce variety introduced recently that has made many friends. It is an ideal home garden lettuce for it stays crisp, tender and free from bitterness longer than any other variety even in mid-summer heat. Make a planting in May, June and July for top quality lettuce all season. Each plant makes an attractive rosette of wavy, notched leaves closely set on short center stems. Salad Bowl is a distinctive loose-leaf type of the highest quality. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 85¢; ¼ lb. \$2.25.

★311 BLACK SEEDED SIMPSON: 45 days. The most popular loose leaf lettuce for the home garden. Plants are large, attractive, compact, with broad, frilled light green leaves that are of fine, crisp texture and splendid quality. We highly recommend it. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 45¢; ¼ lb. 95¢.

314 PRIZEHEAD: 45 days. A loose-leaved variety of fine quality. Leaves are heavily tinged with red; very crisp, sweet and tender. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. 95¢.

312 GRAND RAPIDS: 45 days. Produces large, broad, tender, well curled leaves. Preferred by many for greenhouse use. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. 95¢.

PARSLEY

Pkt. will sow 25 ft. row

Parsley takes little room in the garden and is always useful for garnishing and flavoring. For early summer use sow in early spring. To winter over, sow in August and protect with straw or coldframe sash.

★355 TRIPLE MOSS CURLED: 75 days. Plants compact; leaves dark green and finely cut and curled. More rapid grower than Paramount and longer stemmed. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 90¢.

357 PLAIN LEAF: 80 days. Leaves dark green, deeply cut but not curled. Used for flavoring. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 90¢.

358 HAMBURG: 90 days. Roots are edible and resemble a slender parsnip. The flesh is white, dry; when boiled has a very pleasing flavor. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 90¢.

OKRA or GUMBO

350 EMERALD (New): 58 days. A new early maturing variety for the North. Pods are good sized, dark green round instead of ribbed, fleshy and tender. Use in soups, stews or fried. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 30¢; ¼ lb. 60¢.

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MUSKMELONS OR CANTALOUPE

Vitamins A b₁ C b₂ Pkt. will plant 20 hills, an ounce 100 hills

Many people ask us how we grow our melon seed crops. We start our plants in plant bands in coldframes in early May and by the end of May or first of June they are transplanted in isolated fields. The plants are sprayed and dusted regularly from the very beginning to protect them from disease and insects. The melons are vine ripened, picked, and sorted. Only melons that are true to type are saved for seed.

Seed may be started indoors in **FERTILE POTS** or **PLANT BANDS** (see page 19) and set in the garden after danger of frost;

or seed may be sown directly in garden in hills 4 to 6 ft. apart. Where seed is sown directly in the ground it is advisable to cover the hills with **Hotents** (see page 19) for protection against cool weather and insects — Hotents permit earlier planting. If soil is dry wait until plants start to come through the ground before covering with Hotents. A good soil, preferably light, and well fertilized is best for melons. Control cucumber beetles and disease with **CUKE AND MELON DUST** (see page 18).



There is no early melon that can compare with Seneca Delicious for all around quality and yield. When we want a melon, we take home a Seneca Delicious.

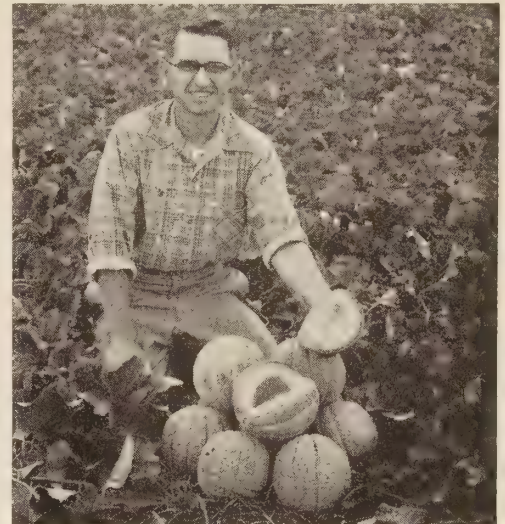
★**320 SENECA DELICIOUS:** 85 days. For roadside stands and home gardens Seneca Delicious is the best early melon to grow—ripens considerably earlier than Seneca Bender or Iroquois. Fruits are not as large as the old Delicious, far more uniform, well netted; flesh is thick, sweet, and of excellent quality. We highly recommend it. Pkt. 30¢; ½ oz. 60¢; oz. 95¢; ¼ lb. \$2.35.

★**322 IROQUOIS:** 90 days. More popular with growers every year, Iroquois, fusarium wilt resistant, is the only melon to grow on wilt infected soil. Fruits are of the popular Seneca Bender type, round to oval, about 6½ inches in diameter, with prominent ribs and good netting. Rind is firm and holds up well. Flesh deep orange color, of fine texture and excellent quality. Pkt. 30¢; ½ oz. 60¢; oz. 95¢; ¼ lb. \$2.35.

★**319 DELICIOUS 51:** 86 days. A fusarium wilt resistant Delicious type melon developed by Dr. Munger of Cornell. Delicious 51 is slightly larger than our Seneca Delicious with a firmer, deep orange flesh which has more of a musky flavor like Iroquois. Pkt. 30¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 85¢; ¼ lb. \$2.15.

★**323 BENDER'S SURPRISE:** 90 days. A popular old variety; produces the largest melons of those we grow. Fruits are large —7 to 10 lbs., the flesh is thick, deep orange in color and fine quality. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 50¢; oz. 80¢; ¼ lb. \$2.00.

★**326 HARVEST QUEEN:** 95 days. A new fusarium wilt resistant melon similar to Queen of Colorado in shape, netting, thick tough rinds and solid high quality flesh. Several days later than Iroquois. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 50¢; oz. 80¢; ¼ lb. \$2.00.

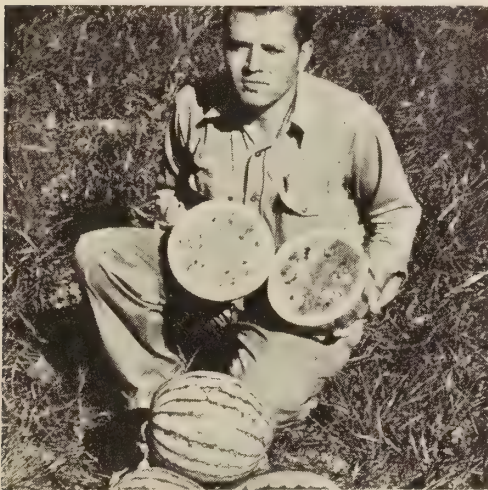


Frank Robson says "Seneca Bender is later than Seneca Delicious, very uniform in size, firmer in flesh and of excellent quality."

★**321 SENECA BENDER:** 89 days. Bred and selected on our farms for years, Seneca Bender has become highly popular with critical melon growers whose land is not infected with wilt. The melons which uniformly weigh from 5 to 6 pounds have very heavy netting, prominent ribbing and high quality deep orange-yellow flesh. Vines are vigorous and productive. Pkt. 30¢; ½ oz. 60¢; oz. 95¢; ¼ lb. \$2.35.

WATERMELONS

Vitamins a b₁ c b₂ Pkt. will plant 10 hills, an ounce 40 hills



Rhode Island Red combines red flesh with earliness in a watermelon that is especially adapted to our short seasons in the North.

★**329 RHODE ISLAND RED:** 89 days. A new early bright red watermelon that like our ever popular Honey Cream will fully mature here in the northeast. Melons are oval, ideal in size, 8 to 12 lbs., with attractive green stripes and a good firm rind. The attractive red flesh is fine textured, solid, crisp and of good flavor. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 50¢; oz. 75¢; ¼ lb. \$1.75.

★**330 GOLDEN HONEY CREAM:** 88 days. An extra early maturing watermelon that is ideal for home gardens and roadside stands in the northeast. Golden Honey Cream is unexcelled for sweetness and fine flavor. The Hawaiian Experiment Station recently reported to us that Golden Honey Cream is the only watermelon variety they have tested which contains 100% fructose fruit sugar which accounts for its exceptional sweetness. Illustrated in color and fully described in color pages in front of catalog. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 50¢; oz. 75¢; ¼ lb. \$1.60.

Illustrated in color in front of catalog

★**331 HYBRID DIXIE QUEEN:** 85 days. A new extra early red fleshed Hybrid watermelon that is just what northeastern gardeners need. It matures as early or earlier than our popular Honey Cream. Hybrid Dixie Queen is a true first generation (F₁) hybrid combining earliness, yield, large size, red flesh and excellent flavor. Pkt. \$1.00; ½ oz. \$2.65; oz. \$4.35; ¼ lb. \$14.40.

★**335 NEW HAMPSHIRE MIDGET:** 82 days. A popular "Icebox" watermelon only 5 or 6 in. in diameter that is even earlier than Honey Cream and very productive. Flesh is red, solid, and quite sweet. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 40¢; oz. 65¢; ¼ lb. \$1.45.



Takii Gem, a new small watermelon from Japan, has better color flesh, smaller and 1/3 fewer seeds than other small type melons. The seed we offer is our own production.

★**334 TAKII GEM:** 82 days. A new, small "Icebox" watermelon which we are introducing this year that is far superior to all other small-type watermelons we have grown. Compared with New Hampshire Midget, our new Takii Gem has a brighter, more attractive watermelon pink color; seeds are only half as large and are an attractive medium brown. Melons are extra sweet and fine in flavor and texture. Fruits are oval shaped with mottled green skin and average only 5 or 6 in. in diam., an increasingly popular size. Pkt. 35¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 90¢; ¼ lb. \$2.00.

GOLDEN HONEY CREAM WATERMELON IS EARLY AND TOPS IN QUALITY

PEAS

Vitamins A B₁ C b₂ 1 lb. will sow 100 ft. row

Peas should be planted as soon as the frost is out of the ground. Make a trench about 2 in. deep and scatter the peas, they can be close together — just so they are not touching each other. Rows

should be 2½ to 3 ft. apart. Wando is a heat resistant variety and successive sowings should be made until the first of July for peas all summer.

362 WORLD'S RECORD or EARLY GRAD-US: 57 days. Our earliest pea. Popular because of earliness, large pods and fine quality. Vines 2½ ft. ½ lb. 40¢; lb. 65¢; 2 lbs. \$1.25; 5 lbs. \$2.65.

363 GREATER PROGRESS: 60 days. (Wilt Resistant). Preferred by many growers as their second early pea because of its uniform, attractive large pods and excellent quality. Vines dark green, 18 in. high. ½ lb. 45¢; lb. 70¢; 2 lbs. \$1.35; 5 lbs. \$2.75.

365 THOMAS LAXTON: 59 days. (Wilt Resistant). A fine, high quality pea that has been widely popular for years, but we now strongly recommend that our customers grow the new Freezonian, an improved strain of the same type. ½ lb. 45¢; lb. 70¢; 2 lbs. \$1.35; 5 lbs. \$2.75.

TREATED FOR BETTER STANDS

All pea seed is treated with Spergon to give you better stands.



You can now grow several big crops of peas in your garden every year. Wando, the miracle pea that produces even in hot weather, is now the most popular pea for garden planting.

★360 WANDO: 65 days. Many gardens are planted too late to produce a good crop of peas. Wando is a pea you can plant as late as July 1st and still get a good crop of high quality peas. Wando's 2½ ft. vines yield well; peas are excellent in flavor and quality and freeze well. Illustrated in color and fully described in color pages in front of catalog. ½ lb. 55¢; lb. 85¢; 2 lbs. \$1.65; 5 lbs. \$2.30.

Illustrated in color in front of catalog

★361 LITTLE MARVEL: 62 days. Heavy yield, earliness, delicious high quality peas and an attractive appearance make Little Marvel a most desirable variety for table use and freezing. The 18 inch vines bear a heavy crop of dark green, nearly round, square-ended pods 3 inches long; tightly packed with 7 to 8 sweet, tender peas. We recommend it wherever peas can be planted early. ½ lb. 45¢; lb. 70¢; 2 lbs. \$1.35; 5 lbs. \$2.75.

364 FREEZONIAN: 59 days. (Wilt Resistant). A refined Thomas Laxton with the same good quality and earliness—excellent for freezing too. Pods are broad, dark green, 3–3½ in. long with 6 to 8 large, tender peas. ½ lb. 45¢; lb. 70¢; 2 lbs. \$1.35; 5 lbs. \$2.75.

366 VICTORY FREEZER: 70 days. Popular midseason home garden variety because of its heavy yields of excellent quality peas both fresh and frozen. Vines are vigorous, 2½ ft.; 3 in. pods are filled with tender, delicious peas. ½ lb. 45¢; lb. 70¢; 2 lbs. \$1.35; 5 lbs. \$2.75.

368 ALDERMAN or TELEPHONE: 74 days. (Wilt Resistant). Best of the late, tall-growing peas, 4½–6 feet. Pods large, well-filled with large peas of good quality. ½ lb. 40¢; lb. 65¢; 2 lbs. \$1.25; 5 lbs. \$2.65.

ONION SEED

Vitamins b₁ c b₂ Pkt. will sow 25 ft. row, ½ oz. 100 ft.

Sow onion seed as early as possible in the spring in rich, well prepared soil. Keep free from weeds and soil well loosened around developing bulbs. Control onion thrips with DDT, either dust or spray, (see page 18). For large onions in the fall thin to 3 inches in the row by pulling little green onions for the table as needed during early summer.

340 EARLY YELLOW GLOBE: 100 days. The best early yellow onion. Bulbs are attractive, nearly globe-shaped, medium large, solid, deep yellow with a tight skin that makes them good keepers. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 45¢; oz. 70¢; ¼ lb. \$1.55.

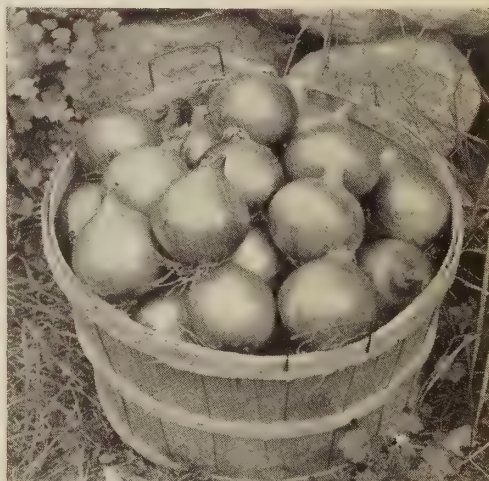
342 SWEET SPANISH, Utah Strain: 115 days. Noted for extra large mild sweet onions often weighing a pound or more. Bulbs deep globe shape, small neck, golden brown skin. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 55¢; oz. 90¢; ¼ lb. \$1.90.

343 EBENEZER: 100 days. An excellent variety for producing sets of exceptional keeping quality. Bulbs medium size, deep-flat in shape, deep yellow, very firm and hard. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 45¢; oz. 70¢; ¼ lb. \$1.55.

344 SOUTHPORT RED GLOBE: 110 days. Bulbs large, globe-shaped; skin thick; deep purplish-red; flesh white with strong flavor. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 45¢; oz. 70¢; ¼ lb. \$1.65.

345 WHITE PORTUGAL: 100 days. Early flat white onions of good size; good keepers. Fine for pickling, green onions and for sets. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 45¢; oz. 70¢; ¼ lb. \$1.65.

★346 BUNCHING ONION: Produces 3 to 6 large green onions per plan, does not form a bulb. A second sowing in the fall given a little protection produces early green onions in the spring. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 45¢; oz. 70¢; ¼ lb. \$1.55.



You can grow big sweet onions like these from our Utah Sweet Spanish Onion Plants.

ONION PLANTS

Bunch will plant 30 ft. row

★UTAH SWEET SPANISH ONION PLANTS: These Texas grown onion plants are so easy to transplant, so hardy and produce such large, dry onions that they are becoming more popular each year. Onions weighing up to 2 lbs. are produced from Sweet Spanish plants in 8 to 10 weeks. Shipment can be made soon after April 15th through May 15th depending on the weather in Texas and how soon the plants are ready. Please designate on your order approximately when you would like to have us make shipment. Onion plants are sold on the basis of bunches rather than count. The bunches are approximately the same size but may run from 50 to 110 plants per bunch depending on the size of the plants. We cannot, therefore, guarantee the number of plants in a bunch. Dust or spray with DDT to control onion thrips. (See page 18) Per bunch, 65¢; 5 bunches \$2.40; 10 bunches \$3.95, prepaid. Crate (approximately 6000 plants) \$10.75, not prepaid. Weight about 30 lbs. per crate.

ONION SETS

1 lb. will set 75 to 100 ft. row

★EBENEZER SETS: These sets are small onions less than ¾ inch in diameter. When set in rows they produce green onions or if allowed to develop will form medium sized cooking onions. Dust with DDT for onion thrip. Lb. 50¢; 2 lbs. 85¢; pk. (8 lbs.) \$2.55, prepaid. Bu. (32 lbs.) \$4.75, 2 bu. \$9.00, 10 bu. or more, \$4.25 per bu., not prepaid.

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PEPPERS

Pkt. should produce 75 plants, an ounce 1500 plants Vitamins A b₁ C b₂

Seed must be sown indoors in flats, usually in March. Cover the seed lightly and keep warm until the seeds have sprouted. We sow seed thin enough so that the plants do not require transplanting before they are ready to be set out in the garden.

★375 **PENNWONDER**: 60 days. We consider Pennwonder the most satisfactory pepper to raise. Year in and year out it sets excellent crops of large, extra thick-fleshed fruits while other standard varieties often fail or produce small crops. Fruits are early, an attractive blocky or tapered shape, dark green turning to rich red when ripe, and the flesh is sweet and mild. Pkt. 30¢; ¼ oz. 50¢; ½ oz. 80¢; oz. \$1.15; ¼ lb. \$2.85.

378 **EARLY CALIFORNIA WONDER**: 72 days. An early strain of California Wonder. Plants vigorous, prolific. Fruits uniformly blocky, smooth, thick meated, sweet and mild. Pkt. 25¢; ¼ oz. 45¢; ½ oz. 75¢; oz. \$1.15; ¼ lb. \$2.75.

383 **HEIFERHORN**: 70 days. An exceptionally good "hot pepper"—good sized, long, tapering to a point. Pkt. 25¢; ¼ oz. 45¢; ½ oz. 75¢; oz. \$1.15; ¼ lb. \$2.75.

374 **VINEDALE**: 62 days. We find Vinedale is earlier than Pennwonder in producing red ripe peppers. Fruits are medium sized, rather tapered or pointed, remarkably thick-fleshed for such an early variety, and are borne upright on the plants. Pkt. 25¢; ¼ oz. 45¢; ½ oz. 75¢; oz. \$1.15; ¼ lb. \$2.75.

380 **ALLBIG (Illinois F-5)**: 75 days. A new heavy yielding pepper that is the earliest of the large fruited, thick-walled varieties. Fruits extremely large, 3 to 4 lobed, 4½–5 in. long, 3½ in. in diam. Pkt. 30¢; ¼ oz. 50¢; ½ oz. 80¢; oz. \$1.25; ¼ lb. \$3.00.

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In our trial grounds Pennwonder produces larger crops of green peppers than any other early variety.



The deep olive shape of Cavalier makes it very attractive to both the commercial and home gardener.

391 **CAVALIER**: 22 days. Ours is a particularly uniform strain of Cavalier. Radishes are the true olive shape, brilliant scarlet in color, firm and crisp, uniform short tops. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 75¢.

PUMPKIN

Vitamins A b₁ c b₂

Pkt. will plant 6 hills, an ounce 20 hills

★387 **SMALL SUGAR or NEW ENGLAND PIE**: 110 days. The favorite pie pumpkin. Fruits are small, deep orange, slightly ribbed and nearly round weighing 6 to 8 pounds. The flesh is rich orange, fine grained, sweet and of the finest quality. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 75¢.

388 **CONNECTICUT FIELD**: 120 days. This is the common large yellow field pumpkin. Skin smooth, deep orange; flesh thick, coarse, sweet, deep yellow. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 75¢.

386 **WINTER LUXURY**: 110 days. A fine round netted light orange pie pumpkin, a little larger than Small Sugar. Flesh is thick, deep orange yellow. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 75¢.

385 **JACK O'LANTERN**: 120 days. Jack O'Lantern is a new pumpkin bred specifically for Halloween use; it is just the right size and shape for best and easiest Jack O'Lantern carving. Fruits stand 9 in. high, measure 7 to 8 in. in diameter and have smooth skin with firm, even textured flesh. Pkt. 25¢; oz. 45¢; ¼ lb. 95¢.



They tell us that 90% of the pumpkins grown are used for Jack O'Lanterns or decoration, so it is only fitting that we have a special Jack O'Lantern variety.

"We picked 70 pounds of Wando Peas from a 100 ft. row even in this extremely dry season. The pods were beautifully filled and uniform." July, 1955

Mrs. Ada W. Nyth
Binghamton, N. Y.

RADISH

Vitamins b₁ c b₂ Pkt. will sow 25 ft. row, an ounce 100 ft.

For continuous harvest, sow every two weeks from April 1st to September 1st. Uniform sowing ½ inch deep and ½ inch apart should require no thinning. Place rows 12 inches apart.

★390 **COMET**: 25 days. Best round radish for home and market gardeners—stays crisp and solid longer. See picture in color and full description in color pages in front of catalog. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 75¢.

395 **Cherry Belle**: 24 days. A new and attractive bright scarlet, firm, round radish that is crisp and delicious. Cherry Belle is quick to mature and has extremely short tops. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 40¢; ¼ lb. 90¢.

★399 **RADISH BLEND**: This is a blend of Comet, Early Scarlet Globe, and White Icicle radishes. The advantage of sowing the blend of radishes for the home garden is that the early varieties, Comet and Early Scarlet Globe, bottom first and can be pulled leaving room for the later maturing Icicle. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 30¢; ¼ lb. 70¢.

398 **ICICLE**: 30 days. The best early white variety. Tops small. Roots long, tapered; very white throughout, brittle as ice; mild and of splendid quality until 5 to 6 in. long. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 75¢.

392 **EARLY SCARLET GLOBE**: 23 days. Popular old variety with many gardeners. Radishes are oval, bright scarlet; flesh white, crisp and moderately mild. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 30¢; ¼ lb. 70¢.

394 **FRENCH BREAKFAST**: 25 days. Rich scarlet with white bottom. Flesh white and crisp. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 30¢; ¼ lb. 70¢.

ROOTS

★ VALENTINE RHUBARB ROOTS

A new variety developed by workers at Vineland Station, Ontario, Canada, that we believe is superior to all other varieties that we have grown. It is a deep red stalked rhubarb and is characterized by a uniformly deep red flesh or interior. Sauce made from Valentine Rhubarb is a most attractive red color. It is also an excellent freezing variety.

Our Valentine rhubarb roots are imported from Canada where they are grown from originators stock and are personally inspected and verified by the originator as to trueness to variety and type. 3 roots \$2.25; 10 roots \$7.25, prepaid; 25 roots \$14.00; 100 roots \$50.00, not prepaid.

HORSE RADISH ROOTS

Strong, well grown roots; freshly dug; ready after April 10th. 50 roots \$1.85; 100 roots \$3.00 prepaid; 500 roots \$9.50; 1,000 roots \$17.50 not prepaid.

"These are the best seeds I have ever bought, and I have found that everything you say about them is true." Feb., 1955

Marvin H. Phillips
Berlin, Md.

VALENTINE RHUBARB IS NOT ONLY TASTY BUT COLORFUL

SUMMER SQUASH

Vitamins A b₁ c b₂ Pkt. will plant 10 hills, an ounce 40 hills

Summer squash should be planted after danger of frost anytime up to June 15th in hills 4 ft. apart each way. Plant 6 to 8 seeds in each hill and thin to 3 plants. If planting in rows sow

2 to 3 seeds per foot and thin to 18 to 24 in. For best eating, pick the fruit while still small, young and tender. Keep the plants picked and they will bear throughout the season.



Bob Strosnider, besides being one of the leading Hybrid Corn breeders, developed our Seneca Prolific Hybrid, the outstanding new straightneck squash.

419 YANKEE HYBRID: 51 days. Not quite as early as our new hybrid, Seneca Prolific, but outstanding in yield of uniform waxy yellow squash with straight thick necks. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 40¢; oz. 70¢; ¼ lb. \$1.85; ½ lb. \$3.15.

★420 SENECA PROLIFIC HYBRID: 49 days. A new yellow summer squash that is not only first to ripen but yields more fruits early and throughout the season than any other variety we have ever tested. Seneca Prolific is a true F₁ hybrid developed by our plant breeders that produces extremely uniform and most attractive long, smooth, light creamy yellow fruits. Extra earliness, attractiveness and heavy yields assure its popularity. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 50¢; oz. 80¢; ¼ lb. \$2.00; ½ lb. \$3.50.

416 EARLY PROLIFIC: 55 days. An attractive yellow squash of fine quality. It is early, highly productive; fruits are smooth and have a bright waxy appearance. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 25¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 85¢; ½ lb. \$1.30.

417 EARLY CROOKNECK: 55 days. Fine flavored curved-neck fruits that are orange-yellow, heavily warted. Pkt. 15¢; ½ oz. 20¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 85¢; ½ lb. \$1.25.

418 CASERTA: 46 days. Extra early prolific Cocozelle type summer squash. Fruits light green with darker stripes—fine flavor. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 25¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 80¢; ½ lb. \$1.30.



Seneca Zucchini Hybrid is becoming more popular each year as gardeners try it and like its firmer texture and quality.

★414 SENECA ZUCCHINI HYBRID: 47 days. An outstanding new extra early dark green Zucchini summer squash developed on our farms. It is a true F₁ hybrid variety that is much earlier and more prolific than any other Zucchini. The dark green fruits are extremely attractive and have a flavor that is a real treat. Zucchini type squash have not been as commonly grown by home gardeners as the yellow types, however, we find that our new Zucchini Hybrid has a wonderfully fine flavor and quality. Use it just as you would any other summer squash. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 45¢; oz. 80¢; ¼ lb. \$1.95; ½ lb. \$3.40.

SPINACH

Vitamins A b₁ C b₂ Pkt. will sow 25 ft. row, an ounce 85 ft.

Spinach does best in cool weather and should be planted early in the spring and again in August for fall crop. For wintering over, plant about Sept. 15th in this latitude. New Zealand Spinach, not a true spinach, is the only variety that will stand hot summer weather. Sow New Zealand early, soak seed 24 hours before planting and be sure to give it plenty of room as plants spread 3 to 4 feet.

405 LONG STANDING BLOOMSDALE: 45 days. Until America was introduced, Long Standing Bloomsdale was the outstanding savoyed spinach for color and holding without bolting to seed. It is several days earlier than America and is still an excellent, high quality variety to grow. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 30¢; ¼ lb. 60¢.

408 BLIGHT RESISTANT SAVOY: 40 days. Fall grown spinach in many areas becomes infected with blight or "yellows" disease. This fine savoyed variety is resistant to blight and produces vigorous plants with heavy, dark green, well crumpled leaves when others fail. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 25¢; ¼ lb. 55¢.

406 BLOOMSDALE SAVOY, Dark Green Strain: 40 days. An extra dark green strain that is very early with large heavily crumpled leaves. Used for spring planting and for wintering over. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 25¢; ¼ lb. 55¢.

410 NEW ZEALAND: 70 days. Not a true spinach, though similar when cooked. The large, spreading plants have small, thick, pointed, deep green leaves which can be picked repeatedly throughout the season. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 45¢; ¼ lb. 80¢.



America is a wonderful Spinach but not the earliest. We suggest you also sow some Long Standing Bloomsdale for an early crop.

★404 AMERICA: 50 days. All-America Winner. A new and outstanding variety that is the darkest green and longest standing of any savoyed spinach we have seen. Not as quick growing as the other varieties but it remains in edible condition long after the others have bolted to seed stalks. The heavily crumpled, thick leaves are of excellent quality—fine for freezing. Pkt 20¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 75¢.

"We especially like your melon seeds. Have planted them now for several years and last year the Iroquois were beautiful."
Jan., 1955

Alfred A. Mittelstadt
Appleton, N. Y.

TURNIPS

Vitamins b₁ C b₂

Pkt. will sow 25 ft. row, oz. 100 ft.

For winter use, seed should be sown July 15th to 30th either in 12 to 15 inch rows or broadcast. If in rows thin to 4 in. apart. Sown in spring, turnips are apt to be wormy.

★475 PURPLE TOP WHITE GLOBE: 57 days. A popular turnip because of its attractive appearance and fine quality. Our strain produces uniform, good size, globe-shaped turnips with a pure white exterior color below the soil line and deep purple above. Flesh is white, crisp and mild flavored. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 25¢; ¼ lb. 55¢; ½ lb. 70¢; lb. \$1.20.

479 SHOGOIN: 40 days. Produces vigorous tops; grown for "greens". Mild pleasant flavored when cooked. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 25¢; ¼ lb. 55¢; ½ lb. 70¢; lb. \$1.20.

RUTABAGAS

Vitamins b₁ C b₂

Pkt. will sow 25 ft. row, oz. 100 ft.

Rutabagas require a longer time to mature than turnips so should be sown a month earlier—about June 15th to July 1st. Sow in rows 2 ft. apart and thin to 8 to 10 inches.

485 IMPROVED LONG ISLAND: 90 days. Roots are large, spherical, purplish-red above ground, light yellow below; taproot small. Flesh is yellow, fine-grained, firm, crisp, mild and sweet. Pkt. 15¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 55¢; ½ lb. 85¢; lb. \$1.40.

For Larger Quantities and Other Varieties Please Refer to, or Ask for, Our Commercial Grower Quantity Price List

WINTER SQUASH

Vitamins A b_1 c b_2 Pkt. will plant 6 hills, an ounce 25 hills

Each year we have been growing more of our squash seed on our own Eastern farms. This Eastern seed is better isolated and more carefully selected. The cost is considerably higher; however, we have found that our trade demands this high quality seed and gladly pays the difference in price.

Plant as soon after danger of frost as possible to give the squash plenty of time to mature. Plant in hills 6 to 8 ft. apart each way, 6 seeds per hill and thin to 3 plants in a hill. If planting in rows sow two seeds per foot and thin to 24 to 36 in. To control beetles and vine borers dust with **ROTENONE** (see page 18).

- ★425 **SENECA BUTTERCUP**: 110 days. This is our favorite. It is a distinct, outstanding variety noted for its dryness, excellent flavor and quality. Fruits are turban-shaped, 6 to 8 inches in diameter, slightly ribbed, deep dull green faintly striped and flecked with dull gray. Flesh is deep golden yellow and fine grained. See picture in color and full description in color pages in front of catalog. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 40¢; oz. 60¢; ¼ lb. \$1.50; ½ lb. \$2.65.

Illustrated in color in front of catalog

- 429 **GREEN DELICIOUS**: 103 days. This variety has long been a favorite with home and market gardeners; one of the best of the smaller high quality squash. Fruits are broad top-shaped, commonly 7 to 8 inches long. Skin is very dark green, fairly smooth. Rind is thin but hard. Flesh is extremely thick, bright yellow, fine grained and dry, without fibre, and of highest quality. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 45¢; ¼ lb. \$1.10; ½ lb. \$1.80.



Quality is a medium size winter squash that becomes more popular as gardeners discover how well the name Quality fits this variety.

- ★431 **QUALITY**: 103 days. Wonderful flavor and excellent quality account for the wide popularity of Quality with both home and market gardeners. Attractive dark green heart-shaped fruits have thick, deep orange flesh that is fine grained, dry, without fibre. Fruits just the right size, 5 to 10 lbs. Many people prefer Quality to Delicious which it closely resembles. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 35¢; oz. 55¢; ¼ lb. \$1.30; ½ lb. \$2.10.

"We have used your seed for several years and been highly successful in growing vegetables. —The corn especially has found favor among our friends."
Jan., 1955

Mrs. Jonathon Meyer
Carversville, Penna.

SALSIFY OR VEGETABLE OYSTER

Pkt. will sow 15 ft. row

Salsify roots may be dug in the fall, piled in a sheltered spot and covered with leaves for winter use. Freezing does not injure the roots; in fact, it improves their flavor.

- ★354 **MAMMOTH SANDWICH ISLAND**: An improved variety that grows roots 8 to 9 inches long, 1½ to 2 inches in diameter at the top and are very even with a slightly tapering shape. Fine quality. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 45¢; oz. 75¢; ¼ lb. \$1.60.



Butternut, the most popular winter squash today, keeps well, is easy to peel, good in quality and the right size for the average family.

- ★426 **BUTTERNUT**: 100 days. More popular with both home and market gardeners every year because it is just the right size for serving the average family; it is easy to peel and prepare for the table; it has a distinctive flavor and high quality; and it is the only variety that is not attacked by squash vine borers. Our Butternut is an extremely uniform strain producing fruits 7 to 9 inches long with a neck about 4 inches in diameter which is solid flesh. The seed cavity is small and is located in the lower bowl-shaped end; skin color is a light creamy brown. The flesh is yellow, fine grained, dry, of good quality and is a good keeper. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 50¢; oz. 80¢; ¼ lb. \$2.00; ½ lb. \$3.30.

- 433 **BLUE HUBBARD (Eastern grown)**: 105 days. Bred and grown on our own farms our strain of Blue Hubbard we believe is more uniform in type and of better quality than other New England type strains. Squash are large, averaging 30 lbs. in weight, long, pointed at both ends, slightly ridged with a very hard blue-gray rind and small seed cavity. Flesh yellow-orange, thick and of excellent quality. One of the best keepers and fine for freezing. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 65¢; ¼ lb. \$1.55; ½ lb. \$2.55.



Ruby Chard has that distinctive beet green flavor and is so much easier to prepare. Ruby Chard is also effective in flower arrangements.

- 435 **GREEN HUBBARD**: 105 days. Fruits large, heavy, fine quality. Shell is nearly smooth, hard, medium green. Flesh very thick, deep orange-yellow, fine grained, dry. Pkt. 15¢; ½ oz. 25¢; oz. 40¢; ¼ lb. 90¢; ½ lb. \$1.40.

- 436 **GOLDEN HUBBARD**: 100 days. Similar to Green Hubbard, but earlier, smaller, and more prolific. Fruits moderately warted, orange-red; flesh deep orange and dry. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 45¢; ¼ lb. \$1.20; ½ lb. \$1.75.

- 437 **WARTED HUBBARD**: 110 days. A strain producing large dark green fruits heavily covered with warts. Very prolific, stores well. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢; ¼ lb. \$1.25; ½ lb. \$2.00.



This larger type of the old Table Queen has become so popular that we no longer list the old. Cut Royal Acorn in halves for adults, in quarters for children. Cook and serve in the shell.

- ★423 **ROYAL ACORN or LARGE TABLE QUEEN**: 90 days. Selected out of Table Queen for uniformly larger fruits and now the favorite small individual squash. The flesh is thick and excellent for baking. Noted for big yields and is an excellent keeper. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 40¢; ¼ lb. 85¢; ½ lb. \$1.25.

SWISS CHARD

Vitamins A C b_2

Pkt. will sow 15 ft. row, an ounce 100 ft.

Swiss Chard is grown for its leaves for "greens". Sow thinly ½ inch deep in 2 ft. rows in early spring. Thin plants to 6 in. apart. By cutting off and using full grown outside leaves, a continuous harvest may be enjoyed throughout the season.

- ★446 **FORDHOOK GIANT**: 60 days. This is the most popular strain of Swiss Chard. It has larger and thicker leaves than other varieties and they are heavily crumpled and very dark green. The stem and midrib are broad, thick and white, and the plants are vigorous and sturdy. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 25¢; oz. 35¢; ¼ lb. 75¢; ½ lb. \$1.00.

- ★448 **RUBY**: 60 days. A chard that is red as its name implies and has more of a beet flavor than either Lucullus or Fordhook Giant. If you like beet greens you will like Ruby Chard. Leaves are crumpled; stems, midribs and veins are bright red. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 35¢; oz. 55¢; ¼ lb. 90¢; ½ lb. \$1.50.

SENECA BUTTERCUP SQUASH IS UNEXCELLED IN QUALITY

Sow tomato seed inside about March 15th. Transplant once and set after danger of frost. Tomatoes that are to be staked may be set as close as 2 ft. apart. If not to be staked, set plants 4 ft. each way. Dust plants as soon as set with **Rotenone** (see page 18) to protect from flea beetles. About July 15th start spraying with **Manzate** as referred to in box on this page or dusting with **Copodust** (see page 18).



Valnorth has proven to be an excellent home garden variety where earliness is a primary factor. We recommend Valnorth as a first early tomato.

EARLY VARIETIES

★449 **VALNORTH**: 60 days. N. Y. Certified Seed. A new, extra early variety developed by Dr. Munger of Cornell. Valnorth is at least 5 days earlier in fruiting than Valiant and it matures the bulk of its crop considerably earlier. In other respects, except that fruit size may average slightly smaller, Valnorth is very similar both in habit of growth and fruiting to Valiant. We believe that because of its extreme earliness Valnorth will soon become a highly popular variety. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 60¢; oz. 95¢; 1/4 lb. \$2.55.

★451 **VALIANT**: 65 days. N. Y. Certified Seed. Popular early variety because of its large size, extra earliness and its ability to continue to bear all through the season. It has the solid fruit and superior quality of the later kinds. Under some conditions Valiant is subject to cracking around the stem. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 60¢; oz. 95¢; 1/4 lb. \$2.60.

★450 **GEM**: 68 days. N. Y. Certified Seed. A heavy yielding second early variety. Plants are smaller, more compact permitting closer planting—are easy to spray and pick. Fruits are large, with firm meaty interiors. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 60¢; oz. 95¢; 1/4 lb. \$2.60.



ARASAN SEED TREATMENT

Widely used, effective on many kinds of vegetable and flower seeds. Reduces decay of the seed in the soil and protects plants from damping off. 3/4 oz. 25¢; 8 oz. \$1.00, prepaid.

Try Blossom-Set For Earlier Tomatoes
Cool temperatures early in the season make fruit blossoms fall off. Two or three applications of Blossom-Set Hormone Spray will give you better fruit set early. 4 oz. bottle, makes 1-2 gals. —85¢, prepaid.

TOMATOES

Vitamins A b₁ C b₂
1 oz. should produce 1500 plants

New York State Certified Seed
Grown on our farms—Hot Water Treated

MAIN CROP VARIETIES

★456 **LONGRED**: 72 days. N. Y. Certified Seed. One of the best of the main crop varieties, Longred is widely grown by commercial canners, market growers and home gardeners. Introduced by Prof. W. T. Tapley at the N. Y. S. Experiment Station, Longred ripens slightly later than Red Jacket and compares well in yield. Fruits are exceptionally smooth, deep globe-shaped with solid flesh, exceptionally fine rich red color and attractive interior. Longred is not as mild in flavor as Red Jacket. Vines vigorous with heavy foliage cover. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 60¢; oz. 95¢; 1/4 lb. \$2.60.

★460 **RUTGERS**: 82 days. N. Y. Certified Seed. Rutgers is one of the finest varieties ever introduced; it is a little late for some sections in the North, however. Fruits are very large, solid, excellent in color, and fine flavored. Vines are large and husky and bear heavy crops of fruit that are ideal for home use, market and canning. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 60¢; oz. 95¢; 1/4 lb. \$2.60.



Red Jacket as a midseason canning and table tomato has no equal for planting in northern gardens.

★455 **RED JACKET**: 70 days. N. Y. Certified seed. Introduced with Longred by the N.Y.S. Experiment Station, Red Jacket, a distinct potato-leaved variety has become highly popular with commercial canners and with home gardeners. Earlier than Longred and as heavy or heavier yielding, its fruits are large and flatter with some tendency for roughened shoulders. Red Jacket is outstanding in yield, quality, color and mild flavor. Vines vigorous with heavy foliage cover. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 60¢; oz. 95¢; 1/4 lb. \$2.60.

★462 **MANALEE**: 72 days. Promising new variety developed by the Bradenton Exp. Sta., Florida, having exceptional firmness, keeping and handling qualities that markets today are looking for. Fruits are of medium size, smooth, round, deep red in color, exceptionally firm and free from cracking. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 65¢; oz. \$1.10; 1/4 lb. \$3.50.

★454 **QUEENS**: 70 days. An outstanding mid-season variety developed by Dr. L. G. Schermerhorn of Rutgers Univ. Queens has many of the fine features of Rutgers and is considerably earlier, ripening with Red Jacket. Fruits are large, very firm and solid, free from cracking, and are a brilliant scarlet with a most attractive interior. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 60¢; oz. 95¢; 1/4 lb. \$2.55.

★458 **JOHN BAER**: 70 days. An old favorite that is still popular with many growers. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 55¢; oz. 90¢; 1/4 lb. \$2.40.



Longred is the latest tomato that we can recommend for the north. Quality is excellent for both table and canning.

SMALL FRUITED VARIETIES

★470 **RED TOP**: 72 days. N. Y. Certified Seed. A new large plum-shaped tomato developed by the N. Y. S. Experiment Station is far superior to older plum tomatoes. Excellent for salads, canning whole or for blending with standard varieties to add color and body to juice and catsup, or for making paste and puree. Red Top fruits are 2-4 in. long and 1-1 1/2 in. in cross section, firm, bright red, very mild and solid. Plants are small, low and compact. Yield is amazing. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 65¢; oz. \$1.05; 1/4 lb. \$3.00.

★469 **LARGE ITALIAN RED PEAR**: 75 days. Large pear-shaped tomatoes borne in clusters of 4 to 7 fruits on vigorous vines. Widely used for tomato paste and canning "Italian style". Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 65¢; oz. \$1.10; 1/4 lb. \$3.50.

YELLOW TOMATO

★464 **MORDEN**: 65 days. A new early yellow tomato that has been very impressive in our trials because of its heavy yields of attractive yellow fruits far earlier than Sunray or other yellow varieties. The flesh is firm, mild in flavor and of good quality. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 65¢; oz. \$1.10.

TOMATO DISEASE CONTROL

For control of late blight and other tomato diseases the New York State Experiment Station recommends regular spraying with **MANZATE**, a highly effective new fungicide. 1/4 lb. of Manzate is enough to spray an average garden planting of tomatoes for the season. Price for 1/4 lb. Manzate, \$1.00 postpaid. Directions for preparing the spray and recommended time for application are included with each set.

TOMATO-FIRM

A method of keeping canned tomatoes firm developed by the N. Y. S. Experiment Sta. Simply put 2 tablets, each containing 24 grains of table salt and 6 grains of calcium chloride, in each quart jar before processing. Bottle of 50 tablets, 60¢

TRY VERMICULITE

The ideal seed starting media. Damping off of young seedlings reduced to a minimum. 3/4 lb. package 60¢, 3 lb. bag \$1.50, postpaid.

ROBSON TRIPLE-TESTED SEEDS ARE BEST FOR YOUR GARDEN

RASPBERRIES

Raspberries do well on a variety of soils and will produce 10 to 12 years if given good care. We prefer spring planting in rows 6 to 7 ft. apart—red varieties should be set 2 ft. apart in the row, black and purple raspberries set 3 ft. apart in the row. 2 yr. plants are larger and heavier and may bear sooner. Write the Dept. of Ext. Teaching, N.Y.S. College of Agric., Ithaca, N. Y. for Ext. Bulletin 719 on Raspberry Growing.

Orders for 10 and 25 plants must be of ONE variety

Prices, unless otherwise noted—1 Year, Selected Plants: 10 for \$2.75, 25 for \$4.95, 50 for \$8.50, 100 for \$14.75, prepaid; 250 for \$29.95, 500 for \$48.75, 1,000 for \$85.00, not prepaid.
2 Year, Selected Plants: 10 for \$3.25, 25 for \$6.50, 50 for \$11.50, 100 for \$19.00, prepaid; 250 for \$35.50, 500 for \$69.00, not prepaid.

PURPLE RASPBERRIES

★ Marion

Very popular new purple raspberry variety. Fruit is very large, retaining its size well throughout the season, roundish, firm, tart, good in quality. Plants are vigorous, hardy, and very productive. The unusually large fruit and its productiveness make it a very desirable purple variety to grow. Fruit ripens about a week later than Sodus.

Sodus

The leading early purple raspberry. Fruits are unusually large, firm, not crumbling, rather tart and of good quality. The plants are vigorous, very productive, hardy and quite drought resistant.



September gives you two crops of big, sweet berries—the first in late June, the second in September and October.

★ September

New Everbearing Red Raspberry

Much superior to other "everbearing" raspberries, September is the newest and best autumn fruiting variety. September bears two crops a year—the first late in June, a week or so earlier than Milton, the second crop in September and October. Fruits are round, firm, bright red, good sized, sweet and fine in quality.

1 year selected plants. 10 for \$3.50, 25 for \$7.75, 50 for \$14.85, 100 for \$26.75, prepaid.
2 year selected plants. 10 for \$3.75, 25 for \$8.75, 50 for \$16.50, 100 for \$30.50, prepaid.

★ Milton (Red)

Outstanding red raspberry introduced by the N.Y.S. Exp. Sta. maturing about a week after September and is even better in flavor and quality. Fruit is large, bright, attractive red, firm and excellent in table quality both fresh and frozen. Plants are tall, vigorous, sturdy, productive and has remained free from mosaic.

★ Bristol

(The Leading Black Raspberry)

Introduced by the New York State Experiment Station a few years ago, Bristol is one of the best for market and home use. Fruit is large, roundish, black, attractive, firm and very good. Plants are tall, vigorous, hardy and very productive.

★ Bailey

Outstanding New Blackberry

Developed and recently introduced by Prof. Geo. L. Slate at the N.Y.S. Exp. Sta., Bailey is the best blackberry now available. It produces heavy crops of large, firm, attractive berries having real quality, flavor and sweetness. Berries ripen with or slightly later than Eldorado. Supply Limited. 2 year selected plants, 10 for \$3.75, prepaid.

Eldorado

(Popular Blackberry)

A leading blackberry variety in New York. Eldorado plants are vigorous and very productive. Fruit is large, elongated, jet black, core soft; flesh juicy, sweet, good in quality. 2 year selected plant, 10 for \$3.25, 25 for \$6.50, 50 for \$11.50, 100 for \$19.00, prepaid.



This picture of Dick and Andy Robson was taken last fall in our trial grounds. It shows that Nemagold will produce good crops even in the North.

CERTIFIED SEED POTATOES

Certified seed potatoes are grown from carefully selected tested certified stock, officially inspected in the field for trueness to name, for disease and insect damage, harvested and again tested in Florida to insure our customers of the highest quality seed that can be produced. Each container carries a certificate stating that the contents meet certification standards.

★PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND CERTIFIED

IRISH COBBLERS: 90 days. Irish Cobblers have been the standard high quality early potatoes for years. The potatoes are blocky with a glossy white skin and rather deep eyes. Our stock is Canadian Certified seed grown on Prince Edward Island where the potatoes mature under cool, moist conditions that seem to give them added vigor and will often yield twice as many bushels as native grown seed. It is somewhat more disease resistant than Bliss Triumph. 1 Peck \$3.10, postpaid.

NEW YORK CERTIFIED CHEROKEE:

100 days. A new medium early variety that has the fortunate combination of scab and late blight resistance as well as good eating quality. The tubers are very white and compared with Irish Cobbler which it is similar to, it is much smoother with a bright skin. 1 peck \$2.85, postpaid.

★CERTIFIED BLISS TRIUMPH: 80 days.

The best quality potato grown when allowed to fully mature. Bliss is a red skinned variety that is early, smooth and shallow-eyed. The interior is very white; it is mealy and a good baker. Unfortunately, it is quite susceptible to scab and mosaic. 1 Peck \$3.00, postpaid.

NEW YORK CERTIFIED KENNEBEC: 110

days. Outstanding new variety that is highly resistant to late blight. Potatoes are similar to, but slightly more elongated than Katahdin and are smooth with white skin. Kennebec is heavy yielding and has been found to be widely adapted. 1 Peck \$2.75, postpaid.

NEW YORK CERTIFIED KATAHDIN:

110 days. The best and most popular of our newer late potatoes. Katahdins are noted for their smooth, uniform shape, shallow eyes and good general cooking quality. Somewhat resistant to mosaic and leafroll diseases. 1 Peck \$2.75, postpaid.

Please read carefully shipping instructions concerning plants and nursery stock on our order blank before ordering.

"The Sparkle Strawberries arrived last Friday. I never saw such beautiful plants. I congratulate you."
May, 1955

D. B. Harrington
Ithaca, N. Y.

SHIPPING DATE ON POTATOES—AFTER MARCH 15

SWEET POTATO PLANTS

100 plants will set 150 ft. row

Sweet potatoes can be successfully grown in the Northern States providing you have a sandy soil, plant the right variety and follow our cultural directions. If you have the soil we will supply you with the plants and full cultural directions.

NEMAGOLD: 115 days. An outstanding new early maturing sweet potato variety that we have found to be highly productive in our trials and excellent in eating quality. Roots are golden-russet, medium dry, and they have been found to be high in vitamins A and C. Nemagold is resistant to root knot disease. Plants ready about June 1st. 25 plants \$1.00; 50 plants \$1.75; 100 plants \$3.25, prepaid.

STRAWBERRY PLANTS

Set plants 18 inches apart in 3½ to 4 ft. rows. We have in the past dug strawberry plants as they were wanted by the customers. Many of the orders came in late or specified late shipment. We found these late dug plants started slowly and were not as vigorous as early dug plants.



We recommend Fairfax plants for the home garden. Fairfax is a large berry that melts in your mouth.

★**EMPIRE:** A new early, unusually attractive berry developed by Dr. G. L. Slate of the N.Y.S. Experiment Station. Empire is extremely productive, ripens just after Premier, is extra large and holds its size throughout the season. The conical fruits are bright, glossy red and the quality is fine. Plants are vigorous, heavy yielding and produce runners freely. See prices at right.

★**SPARKLE:** Highly recommended by the N.Y.S. Experiment Station as a superior freezing variety. The berries are a bright glossy red, of excellent quality, medium to large in size, smooth and uniform. They are firm in texture and hold up well. Yields are high; ripens after Fairfax and Robinson. See prices below.

FAIRFAX: One of the more popular older varieties ripening a few days earlier than Sparkle. It yields heavily when well grown in rich soil and the large firm conic shaped berries have an excellent flavor and sweetness. The color is a deep glossy red when first ripe, turning quite dark as they get older. See prices below.

We now start digging and shipping our Northern grown plants about April 10th. If a later shipping date is specified, we will hold your plants dormant in cold storage until date of shipment. Please read carefully shipping instructions concerning plants and nursery stock on our order blank before ordering.

ROBINSON: Introduced in Michigan a few years ago, Robinson has rapidly become a leading mid-season variety. Robinson is a prolific plant maker and a tremendous yielder. We have never seen a variety set more berries, large in size, and ripen them. The berries are a beautiful light red, conic in shape, often ribbed and of good table quality. See prices below.

SUPERFECTION EVERBEARING: One of the most dependable everbearers in producing an early summer crop and another in late summer. The good-sized, round, smooth, bright red berries are firm and sweet with a delicious tart flavor. See prices below.

	25 Plants	50 Plants	100 Plants	500 Plants	1,000 Plants
Freshly Dug No. 1 Plants:	Prepaid	Prepaid	Prepaid	Not Prepaid	Not Prepaid
FAIRFAX	\$1.50	\$2.25	\$3.50	\$10.50	\$19.25
EMPIRE	1.50	2.25	3.50	10.50	19.25
ROBINSON	1.50	2.25	3.50	10.50	19.25
SPARKLE	1.50	2.25	3.50	10.50	19.25
SUPERFECTION EVERBEARING	2.75	4.00	5.90	16.00	31.00

FREEZER SUPPLIES FOR THE HOME



KORDITE FREZE BOXES: Like the bags described below, Kordite Freze Boxes may be used over and over for economical, safe, sanitary frozen food storage. This type container stacks well and wastes no space. Three line space on top of box for labeling contents. Handy chart of instructions for preparing fruits and vegetables for freezing is printed on back of each package.

Pkg. of 25 Pint Boxes - - - 75¢
Pkt. of 25 ¾ Quart Boxes - - 75¢
Pkg. of 25 Quart Boxes - - - 98¢

KORDITE FREZE WRAP: Laminated Polyethylene assures greatest protection for meats, fish, poultry, pastries, because it has an inner layer of polyethylene. Eliminates the need for an outer wrap.

18" x 60' Roll in Cutter Box—\$1.69

RIGID CONTAINERS: A reusable and permanent container made entirely of Polyethylene, both container and cover. Does not crack or split in corners. Easiest of all containers to fill and because of its square shape it stores and stacks well. When not in the freezer, may be used in the refrigerator for left-overs.

1 Dozen 16 Oz. (Pint) Containers - \$3.49
1 Dozen 25 Oz. (1½ Pt.) Containers - \$3.95

KORDITE FREZE BAGS: Made of Plastic, these bags are ideal for freezing all fruits and vegetables as well as many other foods. Economical, too, for they may be used over and over again. Rubber Bands for sealing are included.

Pkg. of 25 Pint Bags - - - - - 49¢
Pkg. of 25 ¾ Quart Bags - - - - 55¢
Pkg. of 25 Quart Bags - - - - - 69¢
Pkg. of 10 Chicken Bags (8"x3"x15") - 65¢
Pkg. of 10 Small Turkey Bags (9"x3"x18") 75¢
Pkg. of 5 Large Turkey Bags (12"x6"x24") 75¢

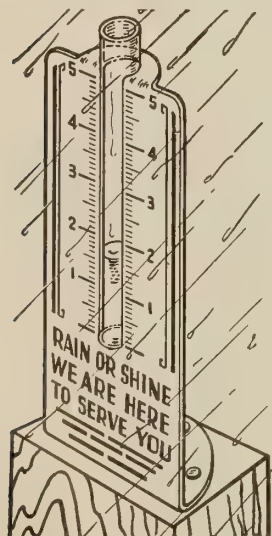
RAPSOL FREEZER WRAP: Heavy wax coating on one side—economical and efficient protection against shrinkage and flavor loss during refrigerator and freezer storage of meats, fish, poultry, and other moist or dry foods. Comes in two widths.
18" x 100' Roll in Cutter Box—\$1.49
24" x 300' Roll in Cutter Box—\$4.89

FREEZER PACKAGING TAPE: Seals without moistening. Sticks tightly on all types of wrapping and is not affected by freezing temperatures. Packages may be marked and dated on the tape.
Package of 3 rolls, each roll ¾" x 300", 89¢.



CRAG HERBICIDE-1 Prevents Weeds

The new "weed preventer" that kills weed seeds as they are starting to sprout. Use it to prevent weeds in many different varieties of garden plants, including roses, strawberries, raspberries, asparagus, gladiolus, perennials, shrubs, evergreens. Crag Herbicide-1 is safe to use—it works through the soil and not on the leaves. Easy to apply with either a sprayer or sprinkling can. 4 oz. can treats 3,000 sq. ft., \$1.50.



RAIN GAUGE

A handy, useful gauge for measuring amount of rainfall. Fasten to top of a fence post.

Price: 65¢ post-paid.

"All our seed have been just great and those Sure Crop Cucumbers live up to their name."
Aug., 1955

Marshal Adams
Lisle, N. Y.

"We have ordered our seed from you each Spring now for six years and have had very excellent results."
Jan., 1955

Wayne Duncan
Niagara Falls, N. Y.

SPARKLE STRAWBERRY IS TOPS FOR FREEZING



Seneca Lawn Mixtures are a balanced blend of the best permanent lawn grasses. Seneca Lawn Mixtures make a turf that will last for years with a minimum of care. When you sow Seneca Lawn Mixtures you are making a lifetime investment and you will take pride in the results for many years.

SENECA LAWN MIXTURE

The Best All-Purpose Lawn Grass Mixture

For establishing a fine thick permanent lawn under average soil conditions we highly recommend our Seneca Lawn Mixture which is especially prepared from the highest quality grass seeds produced. It makes a smooth, green, velvety lawn with a thick bottom free from clumps. The mixture is composed of the following grasses (percentages are approximate): 73% Kentucky Blue Grass, 15% Illahee Creeping Fescue, 10% Red Top, 2% Kent Wild White Clover.

Kentucky Blue Grass makes the thick basic turf; it responds to good fertility (likes a limestone soil or well-limed soil) and flourishes in spring and fall. Illahee Creeping Fescue is deep-rooted and thrives under adverse conditions including hot weather and poor, sandy soils. Wild White Clover blends well with the other grasses, stays green all summer and enriches the soil. 1/2 lb. 85¢; 1 lb. \$1.35; 5 lbs. \$6.00; 10 lbs. \$11.25; 20 lbs. \$22.25; 50 lbs. \$55.75, prepaid.

HINTS THAT HELP MAKE GOOD LAWNS

The best time for seeding a new lawn in upstate New York is about September 1st, and near New York City about two weeks later. Fall seedings are better than spring seedings because they have several more months of good growing weather to get started with less competition from crabgrass and broad-leaf weeds.

Spring seedings made in March or April are the next choice in time for starting a new lawn. Late spring and summer seedings usually are disappointments or complete failures.

All too often home owners succumb to the danger of buying a cheap seed mixture. The only way a seedsman can meet the demand for a low price mixture is to use cheap annual grasses which make only temporary turf. Permanent lawns can not be made from such material. The four basic permanent lawn grasses are Kentucky bluegrass, Illahee creeping fescue, Poa trivialis or rough bluegrass and Colonial bentgrass. These four grasses should comprise at least 80% of the total to establish a good lawn. Seneca Lawn Mixtures contain 90% permanent or perennial grasses.

A little good grass seed sown on established lawns in spring or fall, 1 lb. to 500 or 600 square feet, will help keep the weeds out. Grass under trees needs double the food and water that sunny lawns do because tree roots are heavy feeders. Mow your lawn often with the mower set so that it leaves the grass 1 1/2 inches long, especially in hot weather. Cutting it shorter than 1 1/2 inches usually leads to killing out of the grass because there just isn't enough of the plant left to grow vigorously.

Seed sown on most soils that have not been fertilized either fails entirely or produces a discouraging, thin and weedy turf. For most soils an application of 40 lbs. of 5-10-5 fertilizer to each 1,000 square feet of lawn area gives good results.

Don't sprinkle your lawn every night. Soak it twice a week. Get the moisture down where the roots will go down after it and make a thick turf.

Many broad-leaved weeds, including the common dandelion and the plantains, can be easily destroyed with 2,4-D. (See page 18).

Write the Dept. of Extension Teaching, N. Y. S. College of Agriculture, Ithaca, N. Y., for a most helpful booklet, Bulletin No. 922 "The Home Lawn".

LAWN GRASS

Seneca Lawn Mixtures

For New Lawns sow 1 lb. per 300 sq. ft.

SENECA SHADY LAWN MIXTURE

Shady areas are a problem. Many times it is because of low fertility rather than shade that causes those bare spots in the lawn. Some trees are heavy feeders close to the surface. If there is adequate plant food in the soil our Shady Lawn Mixture makes a beautiful turf in the shady spots. Our mixture contains the following special grasses (percentages are approximate): 50% Illahee Fescue, 15% Kentucky Blue Grass, 20% Poa trivialis, 5% Colonial Bent, 10% Red Top. This combination provides grasses that will succeed in dry or moist locations, in fairly deep shade or moderately sunny spots. 1/2 lb. 70¢; 1 lb. \$1.15; 5 lbs. \$4.75; 10 lbs. \$9.50; 20 lbs. \$17.00; 50 lbs. \$42.50, prepaid.

ECONOMY GRASS MIXTURE

Annual Seeding

There are often places so heavily shaded that permanent grasses cannot be established. There may also be ground around new houses for instance where permanent lawns are desired but cannot be established at present because of the high cost of good lawn mixtures or because ground has not been permanently graded. For such conditions we suggest sowing this inexpensive mixture of quick growing grasses (45% Timothy, 40% Annual Rye Grass, 15% Perennial Ryegrass) it will cover the ground and remain green until late summer. Very heavily shaded areas will have to be fertilized and reseeded each year. Lb. 55¢; 5 lbs. \$2.25; 10 lbs. \$4.00; 20 lbs. \$7.00, prepaid.

LAWN GRASSES	1-4	5	10	25
Prepaid	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.
	per Lb.			
Kentucky Bluegrass	\$1.25	\$4.30	\$8.05	\$19.25
Illlahee Fescue	1.00	2.80	5.05	11.75
Colonial Bentgrass	1.50	4.70	8.85	21.25
Poa trivialis	1.00	2.80	5.05	11.75
Kent Wild White				
Clover	1.85	5.95	11.35	27.50
Redtop, Fancy	1.20	4.20	7.85	18.75



SEEDER - FEEDER - WEEDER

Makes BETTER lawns with LESS seed. Ideal for controlled, uniform even seeding of your lawn. Can also be used for spreading fertilizer and dry weed killers. Price \$5.25.

INSECTICIDES AND FUNGICIDES

ALL PURPOSE
SPRAYS AND DUSTS

As a service we have purchased several copies of a new and sorely needed 64 page USDA bulletin, "Insects and Diseases of Vegetables in the Home Garden", prepared especially for home gardeners. Well-illustrated, it tells how to recognize the more common insects and diseases of the vegetable garden and how to control them. Cost 25¢.



COPPER-ROTENONE DUST.

Controls many insects and diseases. Contains 5% copper—very effective against tomato blights, mildew on flowers and other fungus diseases. Also has .75% Rotenone and will kill many insects—cucumber beetle, bean beetle, plant lice, etc. Leaves no harmful residue. 1 lb. can 70¢; 4 lb. bag \$1.95.



NEW POMO-GREEN (Spray or Dust for Flowers): A green colored sulphur product containing arsenate of lead and nicotine; a combined insecticide and fungicide that is easy to apply and leaves no unsightly residue. Controls black spot of roses, mildew and many chewing and sucking insects on roses and other flowers. 1 lb. can \$1.60.

CUKE AND MELON DUST. A combined insecticide and fungicide, containing calcium arsenate and copper, for the control of cucumber beetles, wilt, scab, mildew and leaf spot on cucumbers, melons and squash. 1 lb. 60¢; 4 lbs. \$1.70.

TOMATO-POTATO DUST OR SPRAY. Effective new spray or dust containing DDT and neutral copper for controlling early and late blight, potato beetles, flea beetles, leafhoppers, tomato worms. 1 lb. can \$1.05; 3 lb. can \$2.50.

KOLO FRUIT TREE DUST OR SPRAY: Formulated for complete insect and disease control after the dormant stage. Contains sulphur, DDT and arsenate of lead. 3 lbs. \$1.75.

TRI-GEN ROSE SPRAY. A concentrated insect and fungicide spray for roses and other flowers. Size A Kit composed of three bottles of Concentrate which, when properly mixed, makes 16 quarts of spray, \$2.60.

TRI-GEN ROSE BOMB. Handy push-button bomb for controlling several insects and diseases of roses and other flowers. 12 oz. bomb \$1.79.

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TO CONTROL CHEWING AND
SUCKING INSECTS

50% DDT SPRAY: A 50% wettable powder form of DDT for spraying crops, gardens and orchards. It will control all insects listed under 5% DDT Dust. Also controls flies in barns and other buildings. 1 lb. 70¢; 4 lbs. \$2.10.

5% DDT DUST: For vegetables, flowers, and fruit. Controls onion and graptolus thrip, cabbage worms and loopers, leafhoppers, corn borers and many other pests, 1 lb. 60¢; 4 lbs. \$1.50.

ROTENONE DUST OR SPRAY (.75%): Non-poisonous insecticide of great value to gardeners. Use on beans for bean beetles, cabbage and cauliflower for worms, and vine crops for all insects. 4 lb. bag \$1.50.

MARVEL SPRAY FOR AFRICAN VIOLETS. Controls mealy bugs, mites and thrips, the insect pests of African Violets. 4 oz. can \$1.10.

5% CHLORDANE DUST: New insecticide for controlling ants, Japanese beetles, tarnished plant bugs, thrips and many other lawn and garden pests. 1 lb. can 70¢; 4 lb. bag \$1.95.

SPIDER MITE DUST OR SPRAY. For use in controlling spider mites on evergreens and red spider on roses. Contains aramite and is green in color leaving no unsightly residue. 1 lb. can 95¢.

BLACK LEAF 40: A concentrated nicotine solution for aphids, thrips and red spider; also used for delousing poultry, etc. 1 oz. (makes 2 to 8 gals. of solution) 50¢; 5 oz. \$1.20, prepaid; 1 lb. \$3.00.

ARSENATE OF LEAD: Controls most leaf eating insects. Can be used on parts of plants not to be used for human consumption. 1 lb. 70¢; 4 lbs. \$2.00.

MALATHION SPRAY—50%. New highly effective and safe to use spray for many hard to kill insects, bean beetles, leafhoppers, aphids. 4 oz. bottle \$1.25.

MARLATE (50% methoxichlor). Safe residual spray on farm animals and buildings for control of flies. Recommended for killing bean, potato, flea and Japanese beetles, cabbage worms, etc. 4 lb. bag \$4.00.

MISCELLANEOUS

DuPONT SPREADER STICKER: A highly concentrated, extremely efficient spreading, sticking and wetting agent for use with certain insecticides and fungicides. 1 pint \$1.50; 1 gal. \$9.20.

CYANOGAS FOR WOODCHUCKS: Safe to handle and easy to use; kills in the burrows. 1 lb. \$1.35.

AMMATE: A new weed killer for use where it is desired to kill all vegetation. Ammate should not be used on lawns as it will not only kill the weeds but will damage the grass. 2 lbs. \$1.35.

TO CONTROL FUNGUS
DISEASES

MANZATE: A new fungicide highly effective in controlling tomato diseases—early and late blight, anthracnose, gray and septoria leaf spot. ¼ lb. \$1.00, prepaid; 3 lb. bag \$4.00.

ORTHOCIDE GARDEN FUNGICIDE (50% captan). A wettable powder form of captan for spraying many fruits, vegetables and flowers to control certain fungus diseases. 1 lb. can \$1.60; 5 lb. bag \$4.25.

BORDEAUX MIXTURE: The standard mixture recommended for the control of potato and tomato blight. Can be used either as dust or spray. 1 lb. 65¢.

COPODUST: An effective dust containing 6% metallic copper for controlling blight on tomatoes and potatoes. 1 lb. 60¢; 5 lbs. \$1.85.

ZERLATE: A fungicide that is especially recommended as a spray to control early blight, leaf spot and anthracnose of tomatoes; anthracnose of melons and cucumbers; also early blight of potatoes. 3 lbs. (makes 200 gals. of spray) \$2.75.

DRY LIME SULPHUR: For dormant spraying against leaf blister mite and peach leaf curl; also, summer spray for apple and pear scab. 1 lb. 80¢; 5 lbs. \$3.50.

SEED TREATMENTS



ARASAN: Best for most seeds. Excellent treatment for spinach and beets; also good for corn, vine crops, pepper, and many other vegetable and flower seeds. Reduces decay of seed in the soil and protects plants from damping off. ¼ oz. 25¢; 8 oz. \$1.00, prepaid.

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LEGUME-AID. For inoculating legume seeds.

	Size	Inoculates	Price
Alfalfa and all Clovers	1 bu.	60 lbs.	\$.55
	2½ bu.	150 lbs.	1.10
Birdsfoot Trefoil	1 bu.	60 lbs.	.55

GARDEN PACKET—Inoculates up to 5 lbs. of Peas, Sweet Peas, Lima Beans. Price 15¢.

ROOTONE

Rootone stimulates the natural tendency for roots to form on slips or cuttings, so that rooting takes place in a much shorter time. Price: ¼ oz. pkg. 25¢; 2 oz. \$1.00, prepaid.

KRILIUM SOIL CONDITIONER

If your soil is a difficult to manage heavy clay, Krilium soil conditioner properly applied will produce good soil structure for building or rebuilding lawns and for preparing soil for home gardens. 1 lb. can \$1.39.

NIAGARA WEED KILLER (2,4-D): Amazingly effective. One application actually kills dandelions, plantain and other broad-leaved weeds without harming the grass. Liquid Form: ½ pint (sufficient to treat 2,000 square feet), 90¢, prepaid.

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FERTILE POTS FOR EARLIER CROPS

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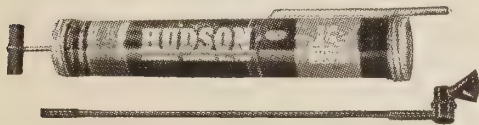


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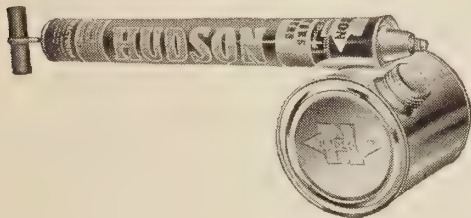
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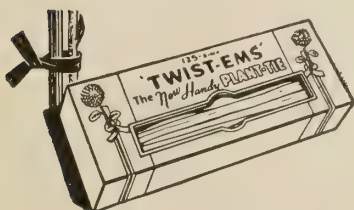
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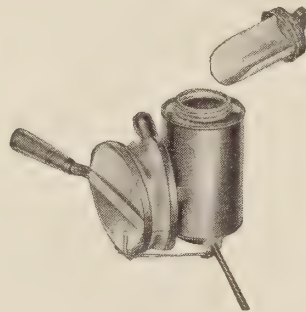
GARDEN STAKES

Excellent for marking rows where seed has been sown, these smooth, painted, wooden stakes are of best quality. 10 in. long, 7/8 in. wide. Bundle of 25, 55¢; 250, \$3.95, prepaid.

**STAPLED WOOD VENEER PLANT BANDS**

A heavy, well made plant band for use in starting melon, pepper, tomato, eggplant, etc. in greenhouse or coldframe. These bands come packed flat but are stapled and are easily shaped by a pinch of the fingers after soaking in water. We add Takehold, described on this page, to the water to impregnate the band with fertilizer. Bands should be carefully removed at time of transplanting. Full instructions with every order.

Size	25 pre- paid	100 pre- paid	500 not pre- paid	1,000 not pre- paid
2"X2"X2½"	\$1.00	\$1.80	\$4.15	\$7.25
3"X3"X3"	1.05	2.00	4.75	8.50
4"X4"X4"	1.15	2.25	5.60	10.15
5"X5"X3" With Bottoms	2.30	4.50	10.50	20.00

**DUSQUIK DUSTER**

The first medium priced efficient hand duster ever put on the market. "Dusquik" is light, easy to handle, extremely simple, holds two pounds of dust and applies it as a continuous cloud or just a puff for spot dusting. A scoop is built in filler cap for easy filling. A swivel nozzle permits easy direction of dust up, down or to either side. Price \$8.70, prepaid.

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A 3½ gallon, funnel-top high pressure sprayer is suitable for the large garden and small farm. Useful for spraying vegetable plants, shrubs and small trees. Tank is galvanized steel with seams riveted and soldered. Pump seamless tubing, can not be removed before pressure is exhausted. Price \$11.50.



Starting melon plants in Stapled Wood Veneer Plant Bands means earlier melons, less trouble with bugs and weeds.

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A high analysis water soluble complete fertilizer that we use on our farms when setting tomato, pepper and other vegetable or flower plants. 3 lbs. sufficient to make 50 gals. transplanting solution. (2 oz. pkg. makes 2 gals.)

We also soak our Wood Veneer Bands described on this page in a water solution of Takehold (at rate of 1 lb. per 10 gals. water) to impregnate the band with fertilizer. 2 oz. pkg. 25¢; 3 lbs. \$1.35; 12 lbs. \$3.75. Case of 15-3 lb. bags \$11.50, not prepaid.

**HOTKAPS****Protect Crops and Pay Premium Profits**

Hotkaps eliminate weather and insect damage. These patented wax paper cones form miniature hot houses over each plant, promote sturdy growth and bring crops to maturity 2 to 3 weeks earlier. Thousands of farmers are getting premium prices, making big money every year by using Hotkaps. Inexpensive to buy. Easy to set out. One man can place 2000 or more per day.

25 Hotkaps with Setter \$1.25, prepaid; 100 with Setter \$3.25, (5 lbs.), prepaid; 250 with Setter \$5.95, (10 lbs.), prepaid; 1,000 without Setter \$17.85, not prepaid, (30 lbs.); Fibre-board Setter 25¢ prepaid; Steel Setter \$1.90, (4 lbs.), not prepaid.

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Designed to protect and force all varieties of plants where a large protector is needed. Made of extra strong paper supported by two metal bands.

Hotents are 10½ x 14½ inches at the base and 8½ inches high. We recommend them especially for melons. Send for descriptive circular.

50\$ 2.75 prepaid
500 14.75 not prepaid 35 lbs.
1000 28.50 not prepaid 70 lbs.
Setter 2.60 not prepaid 4 lbs.

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TWISTEMS

Strong, dark green, "invisible" tapes with wire reinforcing. Protects stems, permanently support Annuals, Perennials, Vines, Shrubs, and Vegetables. Grand for flower arrangement. Millions used by successful nurserymen, professional and amateur gardeners.

Garden Size 8 inch Special Carton (50) 20¢; (100) 35¢ prepaid.

Size	250 prepaid	500 prepaid	1000 prepaid	Price per 1,000	
				5000 not prepaid	10,000 not prepaid
7"	\$.50	\$.85	\$1.60	\$1.55	\$1.40
8"	.55	.95	1.80	1.75	1.55

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NEW FARMER ALL-ELECTRIC Broadcaster

THE WORLD'S FOREMOST COVER CROP UNIT

Sows ANY type of
GRASS SEED that can
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Here's the speedy, simple, economical way to do your broadcast seeding. In a matter of minutes the all-electric Farmer Broadcaster can be mounted on front or rear of your tractor, truck or jeep.



The Farmer Seeder and agitator are powered from your car, truck or tractor battery; comes complete with two individual electric motors, one to operate seeder and the other to operate the agitator. The Seeder does not throw seed or grain on your vehicle and can therefore be mounted on the front or rear of your car, truck or tractor. The Farmer Seeder features a sealed motor with thrust bearing. No chains, belts, pulleys, gears or sprockets to deal with—nothing to grease or oil. You can even bolt this Seeder to your farm wagon or trailer—then attach it to a 6 volt battery, and you are ready to go. 1½ Bu. Capacity. Price \$57.50, prepaid.

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WORLD'S FOREMOST TOP-DRESSER. Basically like the All-Electric Seeder described above but is operated from the power take-off making it a double duty model. It not only broadcasts all types of grass seed but also can be efficiently used for spreading granulated or pellet nitrates and superphosphates.

1½ Bu. Capacity. \$57.50 prepaid.

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GRASS AND CLOVER SEED PRICES PREPAID through 3rd Postal Zone

	25 Lbs.	50 Lbs.	100 Lbs.
ALFALFA:			
Certified Ranger	\$10.00	\$19.50	\$38.00
Cert. Narragansett	17.50	34.50	68.00
Cert. DuPuits	12.75	25.00	49.00
CLOVER:			
Medium Red	13.00	25.50	50.00
Mammoth Red	12.50	24.50	48.00
Mammoth (with less than 5% Sweet Clover)	10.75	21.00	41.00
Sweet (mostly White Blossom)	6.50	12.50	24.00
Alsike	10.25	20.00	39.00
Smooth BROME:	11.25	22.00	43.00
SUDAN:	3.75	7.00	13.00
Fancy TIMOTHY:	5.00	9.50	18.00
ORCHARD GRASS:	10.50	20.50	40.00
DOMESTIC RYE GRASS	3.50	6.50	12.00

	5 Lbs.	10 Lbs.	25 Lbs.	50 Lbs.
Cert.				
LADINO Clover	\$4.70	\$ 8.85	\$21.25	\$42.00
BIRDSFOOT TREFOIL:				
Cert. Empire	9.05	17.55	43.00	85.50
Cert. Viking	11.50	22.55	55.75	111.00
European	3.75	6.95	16.50	32.50

DOMESTIC RYE GRASS

Each year growers are finding that Domestic Rye Grass can be successfully used as a cover crop on more and more of their cultivated fields; grape growers are sowing it in vineyards; apple and peach growers are sowing Domestic Rye Grass in their orchards; dairy farmers are finding that it not only makes a better cover crop than rye but provides excellent late fall and early spring pasture; vegetable growers are seeding cabbage, sweet corn, squash, and tomato fields at the last cultivation with Domestic Rye Grass. Rye Grass in the North should be sowed before September 1st.

Domestic Rye Grass sowed at the last cultivation makes very little growth until frost has killed the crop or until it is harvested. From then on, until covered by snow, Domestic Rye Grass grows rapidly, forming a sod that protects the soil from erosion and furnishes a large amount of humus for the use of the following crop.

Domestic Rye Grass should be seeded at the rate of 10 to 12 lbs. per acre if it is not to be pastured. If pastured a seeding of 20 lbs. is recommended. Domestic Rye Grass forms a much greater root system than rye; does not grow as fast in the Spring, and can be sowed at less cost per acre.

There is a difference in the hardness of Domestic Rye Grass. Texas grown seed winter-kills much worse than seed grown farther North. Our seed is grown for us in Oregon. 5 lbs. \$1.60; 10 lbs. \$2.40, postpaid. 25 lbs. \$3.50; 50 lbs. \$6.50; 100 lbs. \$12.00, NOT PREPAID.

(Send today for special folder on use and application of Domestic Rye Grass.)



A good well managed pasture is one of the best investments on the farm. Our pasture mixtures are the latest recommendations based on extensive research.

Protect Your Corn Plantings with STANLEY'S CROW REPELLENT

The most popular of all repellents to protect sprouting corn from crows, pheasants and other birds. 1 bu. size 60¢; 2 bu. size \$1.00; 4 bu. size \$1.75, postpaid.

HAY, SILAGE AND PASTURE MIXTURES

Every year we find more interest in improving our pastures. This is not only true on our so-called poor soils but is becoming even more so on our best soils where dairying is definitely on the increase.

We are this year listing two types of pasture mixture—both have been approved by the Department of Agronomy, Cornell University. These, we feel, will fit the needs and purse of most farmers.

HAY, SILAGE AND PASTURE MIXTURE.

Suitable to soil high in fertility with good to moderate drainage, not drouthy, well supplied with lime and fairly well adapted to alfalfa. The mixture contains a high proportion of Ranger alfalfa, plus Medium Red and Ladino clover and Timothy. It may be seeded either alone or with a companion grain crop. Hay or silage may be cut one year. 15 lbs. (enough for 1 acre) \$7.85, prepaid; 50 lbs. \$20.15, not prepaid; 100 lbs. \$39.25, not prepaid.



At a cost of less than \$2.00 per acre you can have a cover crop like this to plow down in the spring. More and more farmers are sowing Robson's Hardy Domestic Rye Grass at the last cultivation of corn.

CYCLONE SEED SOWER

For Sowing All Kinds of Seed Broadcast

The Cyclone Seed Sower is known and used in most all countries of the world where seed is sown broadcast. Hundreds of thousands of farmers in America, Europe, Canada and elsewhere have relied on it for many years to rapidly and uniformly distribute alfalfa, clover, ryegrass and grains and seeds that are sown broadcast.



The Cyclone Seeder is suspended by a web strap over the shoulder and hangs in the most convenient manner to carry and operate. Full directions for operating are attached to each machine. \$4.50 prepaid.

SEMI-PERMANENT OR POULTRY PAS-

TURE. For establishing a permanent pasture on good, fertile, well-drained soil to be used for light grazing or poultry pasture. Seeding should be made in April or early May without a companion crop. The field should be ready for light grazing in about sixty days from sowing: Not suitable for hay production. Contains Kentucky Blue Grass, Timothy, Wild White Clover and Ladino Clover. 12 lbs. (enough for 1 acre) \$8.75, prepaid; 50 lbs. \$30.45, not prepaid; 100 lbs. \$59.85, not prepaid.

ROBSON ADAPTED FIELD CORN HYBRIDS



Each year Robson Hybrids are tested in many locations in the northeast for yield standability and maturity. With the information from these trials we are able to say, "Robson Hybrids are adapted to northeastern farms".



BEST EARLY HYBRID

Robson 285, our new first early hybrid maturing a week earlier than Robson 320, is tailor-made for short season areas at higher elevations, or where late planting is necessary, or for early silo filling.

Robson 285 produces leafy, dark green plants that stay green after the ear reaches the hard dough stage. This means silage of highest feeding value. The ears are 9 inches long, slender and filled clear to the tip with deep, yellow kernels. The husk opens early permitting quick drying and clean, easy husking.

Robson 285 has a stiff stalk with a strong, root system that will stand until harvest. It is resistant to stalk and root rot diseases. It also is resistant to smut and aphids, two common pests of corn.

HOW TO PLANT CORN

For MAXIMUM YIELD, Robson Adapted Hybrids should be planted as follows:

ROW WIDTH	KERNEL SPACING
32 in.	8.3 in.
36 in.	7.4 in.
40 in.	6.6 in.

At this kernel spacing the different grades of Robson Hybrid Seed will plant as follows:

Grade of Seed	Acres 1 Bu. Will Plant
Large flat	3¾ acres
Medium flat	4½ acres
Small flat	5¼ acres
Drill	4 acres

PRICES ON ROBSON 285, ROBSON 320 AND ROBSON 360 HYBRIDS

Transportation Allowed through
2nd Postal Zone, see map inside front cover.
(1 bushel weighs 56 lbs.)

GRADE	1 Peck	½ Bu.	1 Bu.
Large Flat	\$3.70	\$6.75	\$12.70
Medium Flat	3.70	6.75	12.70
Small Flat *See below..	3.25	5.85	11.00
†Drill Size	3.15	5.60	10.45

*None of this grade in Robson 285.

†We recommend Drill Size for those growers planting corn with grain drill. This grade can also be planted satisfactorily with any conventional planter if proper plates are used. Drill Size seed will not plant through planter plates used for flat kernels.



In all except the most favorable low elevation areas of the northeast, Robson 360 should be considered only as a silage corn.



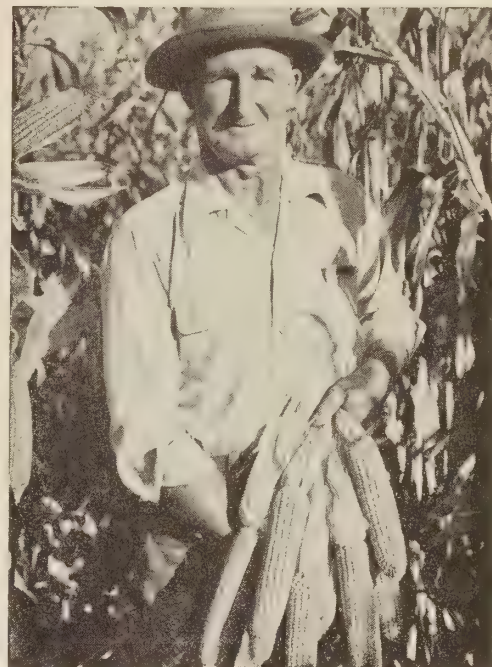
FULL- SEASON SILAGE HYBRID

Robson 360 is a full-season hybrid adapted for grain and silage production on farms located in the most favorable corn growing areas of the northeast where elevations are below 800 ft. Above this elevation Robson 360 should primarily be grown for silage.

Robson 360 is a hybrid you will be proud to show your neighbors. The tall, 9 foot plants with broad dark green leaves; strong, stiff stalks that stand up; and the large upright ears filled to the tip with deep, yellow kernels make Robson 360 a show corn.

Robson 360 with its heavy grain yield produces more high concentrate feed per acre than other silage corns in this maturity class.

Robson 360 is resistant to root and stalk rot, smut and aphids. It stands up where other hybrids go down.



Tests have shown Robson 320 to be the best adapted hybrid in most areas of the northeast for both silage and husking.



Popular MID- SEASON HYBRID

Robson 320, an outstanding midseason hybrid, maturing a week earlier than Robson 360, is a well-adapted hybrid for both silage and grain in most of the corn growing areas of New York.

Robson 320 has a very strong root system that keeps it standing. It is highly resistant to stalk and root rot diseases that cause so many varieties of corn to go down before harvest.

Robson 320 is also resistant to smut and aphids, two pests that cut corn yields.

The stalk, leaves and husk stay green and succulent even after the ears are in the hard dough stage. This means a higher grain ratio in your silage and a more nutritious feed.

The ears are 8 to 9 inches long with 16 rows of deep, yellow kernels with a small cob. Husks ripen and loosen early permitting quick drying and easy husking.

ADAPTED ELEVATIONS

	For Grain	For Silage
ROBSON 285	below 1300 ft.	above 1300 ft.
ROBSON 320	below 1000 ft.	below 1300 ft.
ROBSON 360	below 800 ft.	below 1000 ft.

TREATED SEED FOR BETTER STANDS

Poor stands of corn are often due to damage from wireworms and seed corn maggot in the soil. All Robson Hybrids are not only being treated for seed and soil borne diseases but are also treated to protect against wireworms and maggot injury. This treatment apparently also reduces seedling damage by birds.

PLANT ROBSON ADAPTED HYBRIDS FOR OUTSTANDING YIELDS AND STANDABILITY

ROBSON'S GLADIOLUS

THE POPULAR NEW SMALL FLOWERED GLADS

These new popular "baby glads" are just the right size both in length of stem and size of floret for small bouquets, centerpieces, mantle arrangements and for any use where the larger glads are cumbersome and out of place.

ATOM. Distinctive, very attractive scarlet with a silver picotee edge around all petals. 3 for 50¢; doz. \$1.85; 25 for \$3.50.

BO PEEP. A beautiful heavily ruffled buff-pink with cream throat and pink stippling. Very early—extremely nice. 3 for 50¢; doz. \$1.85; 25 for \$3.50.

FIFTH AVENUE. Dark glistening velvety red, a very lovely small flower that is deservedly popular. 3 for 55¢; doz. \$2.00; 25 for \$3.75.

PETER PAN. Heavily ruffled dark orange-pink with darker throat. Beautiful blend of autumn colors. 3 for 60¢; doz. \$2.25; 25 for \$4.00.

STATUETTE. Beautiful ruffled bright yellow with red throat markings. The earliest variety we have grown. 3 for 50¢; doz. \$1.85; 25 for \$3.50.

TWINKLES. Intensely ruffled deep orange flushed pink with a deep yellow center on which reddish lines appear—striking. 3 for 60¢; doz. \$2.25; 25 for \$4.00.

WEDGWOOD. A rich, waxy, heavily ruffled lavender with a cream throat. One of the most appealing and attractive glads grown. 3 for 50¢; doz. \$1.85; 25 for \$3.50.

WHITE LACE. Intensely ruffled waxy white with cream throat—exceptional in beauty, grace and refinement. Wonderful for arrangements. 3 for 55¢; doz. \$2.00; 25 for \$3.75.



Now there are All-America Selection trials for Gladiolus just as there are for annuals, roses and vegetables. The first two award winning varieties are Appleblossom, pictured above, and Royal Stewart. Both are outstanding glads.

ALL AMERICA GLADIOLUS New for 1956

Something new in the gladiolus world, the first two All-America Gladiolus varieties are being introduced this year as a result of their superior performance in 30 test gardens from coast to coast. Each carries a U.S. Plant Patent.

APPLEBLOSSOM. Snowy white with a faint touch of cream in the throat and an exquisite flush of cool rose pink at the edges of the petals. A vigorous, easy grower producing beautiful tall spikes with 8 to 10 flowers open at a time.

ROYAL STEWART. A remarkable new slightly ruffled, beautifully clear light red glad that has consistently given outstanding performances in the All-America Test Gardens all over the country. Flowers are 5" in diam. and produced on tall, vigorous, healthy plants.

Prices for above: \$1.00 each; 3 bulbs for \$2.50; 6 bulbs for \$4.75 (3 Appleblossom and 3 Royal Stewart or 6 bulbs of either).

Robson's Deluxe Gladiolus Assortment

This is a very popular assortment of named varieties that we include for those who do not care to keep varieties separate by name. There are at least 30 colors in this mixture. It should not be confused with cheaper mixtures which contain undesirable varieties for which there is little demand.

Price: 12 for \$1.15; 25 for \$2.00; 100 for \$7.50, postpaid. 1000 for \$65.00, not prepaid. (500 at the 1000 rate.)

All of our bulbs are large, flowering size bulbs, and are free from disease and thrips. Planting directions are sent with each order. Gladiolus on early seed orders may be sent at a later date, after danger of frost.

SPECIAL SMALL FLOWERED GLAD ASSORTMENT

We believe that once you have grown some of the small flowered varieties which we are so fond of, that you will want to grow more. We are offering a special assortment of the above varieties, a real value. Price: 12 for \$1.65; 25 for \$2.75; 100 for \$10.00.

TOP TEN OF THE NEW GLADS

AUREOLE. One of the most beautiful yellows with exceptionally heavy ruffling, a fine variety. 3 for 50¢; doz. \$1.85; 25 for \$3.50.

FRIENDSHIP. Gorgeous, fresh pink of a new shade; a ruffled, beautiful spike—early too. 3 for 50¢; doz. \$1.85; 25 for \$3.50.

KING DAVID. Deep velvety purple with hairline edge of silvery lavender on long ruffled petals with satin-like texture. Its climb in popularity has rarely been equaled. 3 for 55¢; doz. \$2.00; 25 for \$3.75.

MOTHER FISCHER. Very tall ruffled white with faint lavender lines in the throat. Makes long flower heads of exquisite beauty. One of the best. 3 for 55¢; doz. \$2.00; 25 for \$3.75.

PENNANT. Nicest of the new pinks we have grown. Flowers are a soft light shade, especially beautiful in artificial light. 3 for 60¢; doz. \$2.25; 25 for \$4.00.

PATRICIAN. Increasingly popular lavender with the big growers; it opens 7 large wide open blooms on a tall, strong spike. 3 for 50¢; doz. \$1.85; 25 for \$3.50.

BLUE RIBBON GLADS

BURMA. The finest very deep rose with wide open, heavily ruffled blooms.

DIEPPE. Vivid salmon-scarlet with ruffled florets and excellent form.

EVANGELINE. A gorgeous ruffled light pink with a soft cream throat.

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE. Outstanding new clear white. Opens 6 to 8 glistening ruffled 5½ in. florets on a tall straight spike.

ORANGE GOLD. Beautiful deep orange with a rich golden throat; strong giant spikes

PATROL. Beautiful orange buff with yellow throat. A champion in most glad shows. Will have up to 10 florets open at a time.

Top Ten Glad Collections

(Order by number please)

G 10C—One bulb each of Top Ten varieties, each separately labeled. \$1.65.

G 20C—Two bulbs each of Top Ten varieties, each separately labeled. \$3.00.

G 30C—Three bulbs each of Top Ten varieties, each separately labeled. \$4.50.

POINSETTIA. A vibrant new glowing Poinsettia red of unusual beauty. If you like red you will be delighted with Poinsettia. 3 for 55¢; doz. \$2.00; 25 for \$3.75.

SPRITE. Wonderful bright heavily ruffled golden orange. One of the finest of the new butterfly type. 3 for 60¢; doz. \$2.25; 25 for \$4.00.

TITAN. Unusually brilliant deep rose with exceptionally large blooms up to 7" in diam. 3 for 50¢; doz. \$1.85; 25 for \$3.50.

UNCLE TOM. Very dark red glads are always popular. Uncle Tom is one of the best. 3 for 50¢; doz. \$1.85; 25 for \$3.50.

RED WING. Considered by critical glad men to be the best scarlet grown.

SPIC AND SPAN. Beautiful deep pink, almost salmon with tall straight spikes.

Price of Blue Ribbon varieties: 3 of one variety 40¢; doz. of one variety \$1.40; 25 of one variety \$2.50; 100 of one variety \$9.50.

Blue Ribbon Glad Assortments

Equal numbers of each of above Blue Ribbon varieties in following assortments (Not separately labeled):

3 bulbs of each, 24 bulbs for \$2.35

6 bulbs of each, 48 bulbs for \$4.25

12 bulbs of each, 96 bulbs for \$8.00

TRY SOME MINIATURE GLADS—THEY ARE EASIER TO ARRANGE

Robson's Flower Seeds

Selected Varieties From Our Trial Grounds

WILT RESISTANT ASTERS

One of our most popular annuals for flower borders and cutting. Asters offer the gardener a wide choice of colors, long stems and prolific bloom. For earliest flowers start indoors about April 10th; or, sow the seed in the open ground where the plants are to flower after danger of frost.

Thin or transplant seedlings 8 to 10 inches apart. Asters are sometimes troubled with yellows disease which is carried by leaf-hoppers. Leaf-hoppers can be controlled by spraying the plants every five days with DDT (see page 18).

New Early Asters

1045 BALLET QUEEN. Popular new aster. Blooms 2 to 3 weeks earlier than any other type. Flowers are deep salmon rose, centers are full, stems are 12" long—fine for cutting. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. \$1.00.

1046 BALLET MIXED COLORS. The popular Ballet Queen type in a wide mixture of colors. See color picture in back of catalog. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. \$1.00.

Illustrated in color pages following

New Early Giant Asters

1014 Mixed Colors. Larger flowers than found in any of our other types; these new beauties are early flowering too. Flowers are loose-petalled or Crego-like in a wide range of colors. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ½ oz. 85¢; ¼ oz. \$1.50.

BACHELOR BUTTONS

Our special strains are large, fully double with bright clear colors and long stems for cutting. Sow in early spring. 2½ ft.

1104 BLUE BOY. The true cornflower blue shade. Pkt. 15¢; ¼ oz. 45¢.

1100 DOUBLE MIXED COLORS. A well balanced blend of several different colors. Pkt. 15¢; ¼ oz. 40¢.

BALSAM (Lady Slippers)

1051 True Camellia Flowered, Mixed Colors. Miniature double camellias in our new strain in white, shades of pink, scarlet and purple are really beautiful. Try floating them in a shallow dish. Pkt. 20¢; ¼ oz. 45¢.

CALENDULAS

1055 Pacific Beauty, Mixed Colors. The outstanding Calendulas today. Flowers are larger and colors clearer. More resistant to heat. Sow early; make a second sowing early in July for extra large flowers in late summer and fall. 1½ ft. Pkg. 15¢; ¼ oz. 50¢; oz. \$1.50.

CALLIOPSIS

1070 Tall All-Double Mixed Colors. Decorative plants with finely cut foliage and daisy-like flowers in a wide variation of yellow and mahogany tones. A better strain of doubles. 2½ ft. Pkt. 15¢; lg. pkt. 25¢.

CANDYTUFT

1075 Giant White Hyacinth-Flowered. Plants are branched, each branch a massive, long and thick hyacinth-like spike of pure white. Very attractive. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢.

1077 Choice Mixed Colors. The colored types are bright, gay flowers but have a shorter, more compact head than Giant White Hyacinth-Flowered. Pkt. 15¢; lg. pkt. 30¢.



Powderpuffs Asters, the popular new bouquet type, are ideal for cutting.

New Powderpuffs Asters

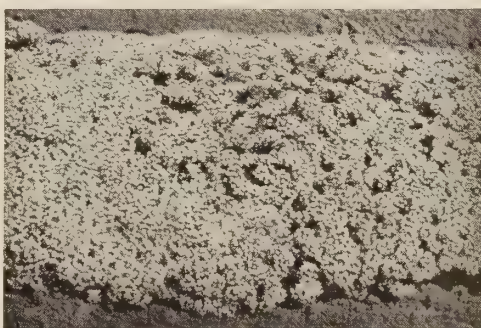
1015 Mixed Colors. A brand new and attractively different aster with upright growth—all flowers stemming from main stalk. The whole plant can be cut as a bouquet or long stemmed individual blooms can be cut. The blossoms have high crested centers of quilled petals surrounded by several rows of broad petals. Colors are white, rose, pink, crimson and blue. Pkt. 30¢; lg. pkt. 60¢; ¼ oz. \$1.35.

AGERATUM

1007 DWARF BLUE BEDDER. Plants are very low, compact in growth and are covered with rich dark blue flowers. This is a very satisfactory dwarf edging variety. For early bloom start indoors last of March. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ½ oz. \$1.00.

CALIFORNIA POPPY

1068 Finest Mixed Colors. An especially good blend of orange, yellow, and white flowering poppies. Pkt. 15¢; ¼ oz. 45¢.



Carpet of Snow is the most dwarf and compact white Alyssum.

1001 LITTLE GEM. Popular free flowering white Alyssum—plants 6 in. high, 10 in. across. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

American Branching Asters

Flowers are large, full and double with broad incurved petals. They bloom with or slightly later than the Cregos and have long straight stems—excellent for cutting. 2 ft.

1034 MIXED COLORS. A well blended mixture of beautiful bright clear colors. 2 ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

1026 Azure Blue **1029 Rose**

1027 Sensation **1030 Shell Pink**

1028 Purple **1031 White**
Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. 85¢.

C120 Collection. One packet each of the six colors. \$1.50 value for only \$1.00.

The Best Red Aster

1042 HEART OF FRANCE. In our trial ground tests this deep ruby-red aster is always outstanding. Flowers are fully double and are produced freely on medium height plants. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. \$1.35.

Crego Asters

1024 MIXED COLORS. Large flowers with long, gracefully curled and twisted petals giving them an attractive, shaggy appearance. Plants are branching, 2 ft., with long stems to cut. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

ANGEL'S TRUMPET

1010 DATURA METELOIDES. Visitors at our trials always marvel at the size and beauty of the large perfumed white trumpet flowers. A very showy border plant growing quickly from seed to 2½ to 3 ft. tall and spreading to 2 feet or more. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 50¢.

ALYSSUM

Alyssum is one of the easiest annuals to grow and is extremely useful as an edging plant and in rock gardens. Seed sown in the open ground in mid-May produces a mass of bloom from early July until late October.

1000 CARPET OF SNOW. Dwarf plants 3 to 5 in. in height and spreading from 12 to 15 in. across. The best dwarf white edging variety. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

1003 ROYAL CARPET. All-America Winner. New deep violet dwarf, compact Alyssum. See color picture and description in back of catalog. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ½ oz. \$1.25.

Illustrated in color pages following

1002 VIOLET QUEEN. Our strain produces extra deep violet flowers. Growth similar to Little Gem. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ½ oz. 85¢.

1585 Saxatile (Basket of Gold). Perennial. Excellent vivid yellow hardy plants for rockeries and borders in early spring. Easy to grow from seed. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

Germination as Determined by State Seed Laboratory is Printed on every packet of flower seeds



Long Spurred Columbine is one of the easiest perennials to grow from seed and one of the most graceful and beautiful.

COLUMBINE

- 1013 **Long-Spurred Hybrids.** Perennial. An especially fine strain of long-spurred Columbine containing many new and unique colors. One of the most beautiful and effective perennials. 2½ ft. Pkt. 30¢; lg. pkt. 55¢; ¼ oz. \$1.00.

CARNATIONS

- 1085 **Chabaud's Giant Improved, Mixed Colors.** This half-hardy perennial is usually considered an annual but if protected will usually survive the first winter. The delightful fragrance and rich coloring makes them very useful for cutflowers and bedding. Sow the seed in early spring or start indoors for earlier bloom. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. \$1.00.
- 1086 **Enfant de Nice Bouquet Mixed Colors.** New superior carnations. Plants are extremely neat and compact. Flowers are larger and color range wider than our popular Chabaud strain. Pkt. 35¢; lg. pkt. 65¢; ¼ oz. 85¢; ½ oz. \$1.50.

COSMOS

- 1135 **Sensation Mixed Colors.** One of the best tall border plants for summer cutflowers. The mixture is a blend of pink, white, rose and red. 4 ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.
- 1140 **RADIANCE.** All-America Winner. Flowers are large, deep rose with a broad band of rich crimson in the center—Sensation type. Fine for cutting. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

CASTOR BEAN (Ricin)

- 1090 **TROPICAL MIXTURE.** The largest and tallest of all annuals, having huge brilliant green leaves. Used for background and screen planting. Grow best in rich soil. 5–10 ft. Pkt. 20¢; oz. 50¢.

COREOPSIS

- 1130 **Double Sunburst.** Perennial. Masses of double clear yellow daisy-like flowers in June and July on plants that are truly hardy. 2½ ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢.

CLEOME (Spider Flower)

- 1125 **PINK QUEEN.** Easy to grow, pest-free tall annual that provides a constant mass of large clusters of light salmon pink flowers from July 'til frost—amazing bloom for so little effort. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 85¢.

- 1126 **HELEN CAMPBELL.** A new white companion variety to Pink Queen—most attractive. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 85¢.

CANTERBURY BELLS

- 1080 **Cup and Saucer, Mixed Colors.** Biennial. Large cup and saucer like flowers in white and beautiful shades of pink, blue and purple. Canterbury Bells and Foxglove are unequalled for early summer bloom. Since they are biennials seed should be sown every year. 2½ ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ½ oz. 65¢.

FOXGLOVE (Digitalis)

- 1175 **Shirley Giant Hybrids.** Biennial. Extra large bell-shaped flowers in a wide range of beautiful colors from white and shell-pink to deepest rose, many attractively blotched or spotted with crimson, maroon or chocolate. 4 ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ½ oz. 65¢.

CLARKIA

- 1120 **MIXED COLORS.** One of the most graceful of all annuals—excellent for cutting. Flowers are like small double roses in white and shades of pink. 2 ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢.

CYNOGLOSSUM

- 1146 **Firmament.** All-America Winner. Neat, compact plants covered with clear, bright indigo-blue forget-me-not-like flowers. 2 ft. Pkt. 15¢; lg. pkt. 25¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.



Dwarf Dahlias, one of the most rewarding annuals in beautiful bloom in a host of different colors.

DAHLIAS FROM SEED

- 1150 **UNWIN DWARF HYBRIDS.** It is easy and fascinating to grow dahlias from seed. Our strain produces a high percentage of fully double flowers in a wide range of colors from white to red—fine for cutting. Few blooms measure less than 3 in. Tubers of those colors you like may be saved since separate colors are not possible from seed. 2 ft. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. 95¢.



For something completely different in the garden, and arrangements, grow Bells of Ireland.

BELLS OF IRELAND

- 1052 – Looking for something novel to grow? Florists and garden clubs are finding Bells of Ireland the perfect flower for a different touch in arrangements. Also called Shell Flower because of the green shell-like cup surrounding a tiny white flower in the center. Pkt. 30¢; lg. pkt. 55¢; ½ oz. \$1.00.

COCKSCOMB

- 1098 **PAMPAS PLUME, mixed colors.** Long, graceful, feathery plumes ranging in color from intense red to bright yellow. See picture in color in back of catalog. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ½ oz. 85¢.

Illustrated in color pages following

- 1095 **DWARF CRESTED, mixed colors.** The large showy flower heads resemble a rooster's comb. Colors are bright, ranging from shades of red to yellows on dwarf, 15 in. plants. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ½ oz. 75¢.

- 1096 **Dwarf Fire Feather.** Fire engine red plumes on neat, compact 12 in. plants. It's the brightest, reddest and showiest variety for edging and bedding we have ever grown. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ½ oz. 75¢.

DELPHINIUM

Illustrated in color pages following

- 1155 **Pacific Giants, Mixed Colors.** Perennial. Outstanding strain producing immense spikes of magnificent blooms. See color picture in back of catalog. Pkt. 65¢; lg. pkt. \$1.10; ½ oz. \$1.65.

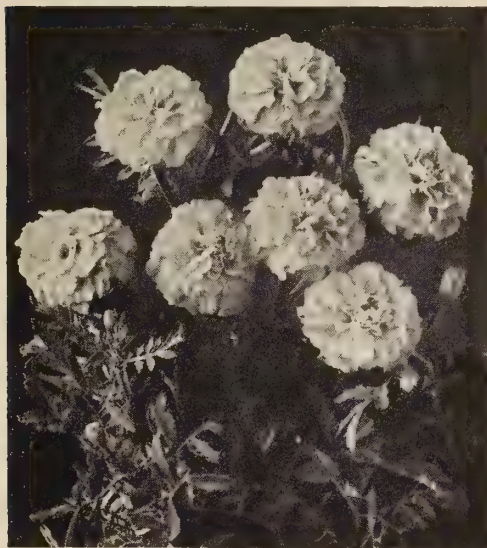
DIANTHUS (Pinks)

- 1165 **DOUBLE CHINA PINKS. MIXED COLORS.** Handsome clusters of very double flowers in many bright colors. Pkt. 15¢; lg. pkt. 25¢; ¼ oz. 60¢.
- 1167 **HEDDEWIGII GAIETY.** Fine large flowered single blooms that are deeply fringed in brilliant shades of pink, white and red. Pkt. 15¢; lg. pkt. 25¢; ¼ oz. 60¢.
- 1172 **Plumarius, Single and Double Mixed.** Perennial. The old-fashioned fragrant clove pink in soft shades and combinations of pink, red and white. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢.

FIREBUSH

- 1240 **KOCHIA CHILDSI.** A compact, symmetrical, and uniform plant having feathery, green foliage that turns to a brilliant red in autumn. Makes a fine temporary hedge or background for the flower border. Sow as soon as the soil can be worked. Kochia often self-sows. Thin to 10 inches. Height 2½ ft. Pkt. 15¢; ¼ oz. 30¢; oz. 75¢.

TRY DWARF FIRE FEATHER COCKSCOMB—IT IS OUTSTANDING



More and more people are growing the Miniature Marigold varieties because they bloom so early and for such a long time.

Large Flowering Marigolds

Later flowering than the French Marigolds these taller, large flowered varieties will make colorful spots in the garden in late summer if started inside about April 20th or in the garden soon after danger of frost.

- 1278 Mammoth Mum.** Outstanding large chrysanthemum flowered marigold. See picture in color and full description in following color pages. Pkt. 25¢; lg pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. \$1.25.

Illustrated in color pages following

- 1276 Sunset Giants.** A remarkable new sweet scented, robust growing and extremely large flowered type. You will admire its broad, beautifully shaped petals in colors ranging from lemon yellow to golden orange. 3 ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 85¢.
- 1272 Tall African Double.** A very tall, long stemmed Marigold. The flowers are immense round, tight-petalled balls. 3 ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 85¢.

ENGLISH DAISY

- 1580 Bellis, Double Mixed.** Attractive daisy-like flowers on six inch stems that start blooming with Pansies in April. Colors pink, rosy red and white. Seed is sown in July for spring bloom. Pkt. 30¢; lg. pkt. 55¢; ½ oz. \$1.00.

FORGET-ME-NOTS (Myosotis)

- 1311 Royal Blue.** Biennial. Bright blue Forget-me-nots are so popular for early spring bloom with tulips and daffodils. 1 ft. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ½ oz. 75¢.

FOUR O'CLOCK

- 1185 Marvel of Peru.** Mixed colors. An old favorite. On cloudy days and late afternoon the Four o'Clocks open their many colored blossoms. Humming birds love to visit these flowers. Sow after danger of frost. 3 ft. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 35¢.

GAILLARDIA

- 1190 Mixed Colors.** Although smaller than the perennial species, the annual form always gives a good account of itself and is very easy to grow. The flowers are double; the petals are loosely arranged and gracefully fringed. Pkt. 15¢; lg. pkt. 25¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

MARIGOLD

Miniature Double French

Like the Dwarf French but even smaller plants. We find that in our trial ground plantings they are exceptionally early and prolific bloomers. Fine for edgings, 8"-12".

- 1273 Lemon Drop.** Outstanding new early canary yellow, profuse bloomer.
1274 Serenade. New for 1956, a bright golden yellow, excellent with Sunkist.

- 1269 Butterball.** Very aptly named, the flowers are balls of butter-yellow, earliest, 8".

- 1271 Sunkist.** Extra early golden orange.

- 1268 Spry.** Yellow crested center with maroon outer petals. 12".

- 1270 Miniature Finest Mixed Colors.** A superior blend of Miniature (extra dwarf) double varieties that will bloom from July 'til frost.

Any one of above—Pkt. 20¢;
 lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

Dwarf French Marigolds

- 1280 Harmony.** An excellent Marigold that is early and covered with a mass of large, bright, full double flowers. The center of each flower is a brilliant golden yellow, bordered with maroon red. Height 18 inches. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

- 1281 FANDANGO (Rusty Red).** New and outstandingly different dwarf marigold having 2 inch double flowers of mahogany red with a pencilling of yellow on the margin of the petals, 18". Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

- 1282 Flash.** All-America Winner. Popular single flowered Marigold that is prolific in bloom. Colors range from red through warm burnished copper and tangerine to yellow. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

INDIAN or CALICO CORN

Illustrated in color pages following

- 1212.** It is easy to grow your own gayly colored Indian corn that is so popular for fall and winter table decorations. Pkt. 25¢; ¼ lb. 45¢; lb. \$1.50; 5 lbs. \$7.00.

GOURDS

- 1210 Small-Fruited Mixed Varieties.** Gourds are grown by many gardeners because they can be used effectively in fall and winter arrangements for the house when properly dried. Our mixture is made up of the most desirable and colorful small-fruited kinds. Vigorous vines are produced, therefore, plant where there is room to spread or support to climb on. Sow 6 inches apart after danger of frost. Pkt. 20¢; ¼ oz. 35¢; oz. 85¢; ¼ lb. \$2.50.



Pearly Gates Morning Glory makes a wonderful show on a trellis, and Heavenly Blue is a 'must grow' variety with most gardeners.

MORNING GLORIES

In growing Morning Glories never plant until the soil is thoroughly warm. If it is too cool the seeds will rot instead of germinating. To aid germination soak the seed overnight in warm water. Sow where the plants are to flower as they do not transplant easily.

- 1306 Pearly Gates.** All-America Silver Medal in 1942. Grand early lustrous white flowers which are the same size as Heavenly Blue. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 55¢.

- 1305 Heavenly Blue.** Beautiful sky-blue flowers shading golden yellow in the throat. Many measure 4 inches across. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 55¢.

GYPSOPHILA

Annual Baby's Breath

- 1215 Covent Garden Strain.** Invaluable pure white flowers for combining with sweet peas and many other flowers in bouquets. 1½ ft. Pkt. 15¢; ¼ oz. 35¢.

HELICHRYSUM (Strawflowers)

- 1220 Mixed Colors.** Gay white, yellow, crimson, rose and salmon colored flowers. The best everlasting for winter bouquets; flowers should be cut before the centers open and hung upside down in a cool, dark place to dry, 2". Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

LARKSPUR

Larkspurs are cool weather plants and for best results seed should be sown in Sept. or as early in the spring as possible in the Northern States. A light mulch covering should be applied for winter protection. 3 ft.

- 1245 Finest Mixed Colors.** A balanced blend that we make of many clear colors. Pkt. 15¢; lg. pkt. 25¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

- 1247 Blue Spire.** Deep violet blue.

- 1249 Lilac King.** A rich lilac.

- 1250 Pink King.** Soft salmon rose.

- 1251 White King.** Very large, glistening white flowers.

Above Colors: Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

- C135 Collection.** One packet each of four colors. 80¢ value for only 65¢.

Combinations of Gourds and our colorful Indian Corn make fascinating arrangements for fall and winter.

FANDANGO IS A SURPRISING CHANGE IN MARIGOLD COLORS

LUPINS

1290 Russell Hybrids, Mixed Colors. Perennial. The new Russell Lupins are always admired for the beauty and rich colorings of their stately blooms. Colors include pinks, rose, bronze, reds and shades of blue. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; 1/4 oz. \$1.00.

HOLLYHOCKS

1230 Double Mixed Colors. Semi-perennial. The new doubles are excellent and come in a fine blend of shades of pink, red, and white. Since young plants are more vigorous, seed should be sown each summer for bloom the following year. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; 1/4 oz. \$1.00.

MIGNONETTE

1295. The flowers of Mignonette are not showy but the fragrance they give in the garden and in bouquets cannot be equaled. Be sure to have a few plants in the border to enjoy. Pkt. 20¢; 1/4 oz. 45¢; oz. \$1.50.

NASTURTIUMS

Bright colors, sweet fragrance and ease of growing account for the popularity of Nasturtiums. Sow the seed after danger of frost.

1319 Golden Gleam. Beautiful, rich golden yellow, sweet-scented flowers. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 35¢; oz. 65¢.

1315 Glorious Gleam Hybrids. A wide assortment of new and unusual colors. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 35¢; oz. 65¢.

1320 Single Mixed Colors. Our blend contains a wide range of soft and brilliant colors that are very fragrant. Pkt. 20¢; 1/2 oz. 35¢; oz. 60¢.

NICOTIANA (Flowering Tobacco)

1325 Mixed Colors. New. Plants are now more dwarf and compact, 24-28", and flowers are a wider range of brighter, more intense colors. Be sure to try our new blend of colors. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; 1/4 oz. 75¢.



For gay colors in the border plant Annual Phlox.

ANNUAL PHLOX

1380 Mixed Colors. A beautiful mixture containing the whole range of phlox colors from white and cream through pinks to deep reds. Plants 18 in. Start indoors April 10th or in the garden after danger of frost. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; 1/8 oz. 75¢.

PETUNIAS

Petunias are always dependable, thriving under most adverse conditions of soil and climate. They are indispensable for long lasting masses of bloom in flower beds and borders. For bloom in June seed should be sown inside in March. Seeds are small and should be sown thin and barely covered.



For dependable, prolific and long lasting bloom, few flowers can equal the new Hybrid Bedding Petunias, Comanche Paleface and Linda. They are excellent.

Hybrid Bedding Petunias

1373 Comanche. Exceptionally fine dark red hybrid petunia. See full description and picture in color in the back of the catalog. Pkt. 50¢; lg. pkt. \$1.00.

1374 Paleface. New pure white hybrid as prolific blooming as Comanche or Linda, ideal for planting with either. Pkt. 50¢; lg. pkt. \$1.00.

1376 Linda. Equals Comanche in neat habit of growth and in abundance of large lasting bloom. Flowers are a beautiful clear, light salmon pink. Pkt. 50¢; lg. pkt. \$1.00.

1378 Firedance. All-America Winner 1956. A spectacular brilliant salmon-scarlet with a large yellow throat—flowers large, 3 1/2" and deeply fringed. Pkt. 50¢; 500 seeds \$1.50.

1375 Ballerina. Flowers are a soft, glowing salmon, large, fringed, 3 1/2", and early. Plants vigorous. Pkt. 50¢; 500 seeds \$1.50.

PANSIES

Seed sown in early spring will produce quantities of flowers from midsummer until freezing weather. For early spring flowers, sow the seed in July or August in a cold-frame—transplant when large enough to where they are to flower.

Pansy seed requires shade and moisture for germination. If provided, our seed, which is fresh and vigorous, will give abundant plants.

1335 Swiss Giants Fine Mixed Colors. A delightful mixture of very large flowered Pansies in vivid and outstanding shades of blue, purple, red, bronze, yellow and primrose. The plants are of exceptionally strong and robust growth. Pkt. 35¢; lg. pkt. 65¢; 1/8 oz. \$1.60.

1337 Swiss Giants Special Mixture. For the very finest in Pansies sow our special strain of Swiss Giants. They are exceptionally large and far surpass any other strain we have seen in form and range of rich colors. Pkt. 45¢; lg. pkt. 80¢; 1/8 oz. \$1.95.

1338 Coronation Gold. Deservingly popular Swiss Giant variety, the first big clear yellow pansy without brown blotches. Pkt. 35¢; lg. pkt. 65¢; 1/8 oz. \$1.65.

Bedding Petunias

Our carefully selected bedding Petunias are covered with medium size blooms from early summer until frost. This type planted in the open ground in our trial grounds on May 15th will flower by July 10th. Height 1 ft.

1345 Choice Mixed Colors. A blend of many fine colors. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; 1/8 oz. 85¢.

1346 Celestial Rose. Masses of deep rose.

1347 Snowball. Compact pure white.

1352 Twinkles. Bright rose with white star.

1349 Dark Purple. Deep velvety purple.

Above Colors. Pk. 25¢; lg. pk. 50¢; 1/8 oz. 95¢.

New All-Double Petunias

1360 Glorious Mixture. A formula mixture of many beautiful colors that we feel is a real value. Pkt. (125 seeds) 90¢; pkt. (500 seeds) \$2.00; pkt. (1000 seeds) \$3.75.

We offer this seed in the introducers packages only.

Ruffled Petunias

1351 Giants of California, Special Mixture. A well balanced mixture of light and dark colors, fringed and ruffled, with attractive deep throats, many of them being beautifully veined. Seed is selected from the choicest plants. Pkt. (200 seeds) 25¢; lg. pkt. (500 seeds) 50¢; 1/8 oz. \$1.55.

1350 Little Giants, Mixed Colors. New dwarf ruffled petunia that remains neatly compact and erect all summer—plants only 8" to 10". A profuse bloomer ideal for bedding and edging. Pkt. (200 seeds) 25¢; lg. pkt. (500 seeds) 50¢; 1/8 oz. \$1.40.

PORTULACA

Illustrated in following color pages

1395 Double Mixed Colors. Not an ordinary strain of Portulaca. See full description and picture in the color section following. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; 1/8 oz. \$1.25.



If you like Pansies you will love our Swiss Giant Mixtures of beautiful deep tones, and Coronation Gold, a warm clear yellow.

FIRE DANCE HYBRID PETUNIA IS THE ALL-AMERICA AWARD WINNER FOR 1956



Snapdragons are tops for bright clear colors in long lasting arrangements.

SNAPDRAGONS

Snapdragons are indispensable as cut flowers. They are lovely in form and the colors are infinitely varied ranging from delicate pink to deep yellow and crimson. Sow the seed indoors March 25th; in the open ground as soon as the soil can be worked. Thin to 8 inches. Height 2½ ft.

1445 Special Hybrids Mixed. A most attractive blending of unusual colors. The color range includes a pleasing proportion of many different soft apricot-pink shades. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 85¢.

1440 Rosalie. Beautiful deep rose.

1441 Shasta. Pure white.

1442 Campfire. Luminous scarlet.

1443 Yellow Giant. Deep yellow.

Above Colors: Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 95¢.

C150 Collection. One packet each of the above four colors for only 65¢.

SCABIOSA

1420 Imperial Mixed Colors. One of the best annuals for cutting as they bloom from July until after first frosts. The new Imperials are larger flowered with a wide range of fine clear colors in many new shades. 2½ ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

1430 House's Hybrids. Perennial. Fine for the border and for cutting. Flowers from June to Sept. in dark blue to lavender shades. 2 ft. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. 90¢.

STOCKS

Illustrated in following color pages

1465 Double Ten Weeks Mixture. Turn to the color section following for a picture and full description of these "sure to bloom" stocks. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

1466 Early Seven Weeks, Mixed Colors. An outstanding new strain of branching stocks which in our trials blooms nearly a full month earlier than any other strain. Plants develop many flowering branches 12-15 in. in height in a brilliant color range of double white, pink, rose, deep crimson, blue and purple. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢.

SALVIA

1410 Special Bonfire. An indispensable bedding plant highly valued for the intense bright scarlet color of its flower spikes. It grows 2 ft. tall and is very uniform. Salvia is best when started in the house about April 1st. If started in the garden after danger of frost, it will bloom in September. Transplant 1 ft. apart. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ⅛ oz. 90¢; ¼ oz. \$1.65.

1415 Blue Bedder Salvia. Flowers are a soft, lavender-blue color and are borne on slender, graceful spikes—excellent for cutting. Plants are semi-hardy perennials if protected. Usually treated as an annual as it blooms in August from seed sown early. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ⅛ oz. \$1.25.

SALPIGLOSSIS

1405 Large Flowering Emperor Mixture. The funnel-shaped flowers in rich tones of purple, pink, yellow, buff, orange and red with heavy gold throat-veining are exquisite. Start in the house April 10th or in the garden after danger of frost. The seeds are extremely fine—cover very lightly. 2 ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

SHASTA DAISY

1115 Alaska. Perennial. The large white daisy-like flowers are valuable in the border and for cutting. Easy to grow from seed. 2½ ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

POPPIES

1393 Annual Shirley Poppies. An especially fine mixture of double flowers, many of which are ruffled, in shades of pink, salmon, and rose. Pkt. 15¢; lg. pkt. 25¢; ¼ oz. 50¢.

1385 Iceland Poppies (Gartford Giants Strain). Perennial. Few flowers have such grace of stems and delicate satiny texture. Colors include white and shades of orange, yellow and pink. Bloom first year if sown early. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ⅛ oz. \$1.00.

1390 Oriental Poppies, Mixed Colors. Perennial. The giant blooms of oriental poppies in shades of red, pink and scarlet are beautiful and spectacular in the June garden. They are not difficult to grow from seed. 2½ ft. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ⅛ oz. \$1.15.



We thought that Dwarf Stocks could not be further improved until we grew the new Early Seven Weeks strain. They are much earlier with longer, beautiful flower heads.



Dependable and popular Sweet William always provide a colorful show in June.

SWEET WILLIAM

Sow the seed in June or July; plants will bloom the following June. It is best to treat Sweet William even though perennial, as a biennial, starting fresh plants every year.

1515 Choice Mixed Colors. Perennial. Flower heads are large and composed of numerous good-sized single blooms in combinations of red, pink, salmon and white. Ht. 18 in. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 65¢.

1518 New Dwarf Mixed Colors. Perennial. Extremely uniform and dwarf these 8 to 10 inch plants have large flower heads of many beautiful color combinations. If you have wished there were a shorter growing type of Sweet William better suited for borders and edging, you will like this new dwarf strain. Pkt. 30¢; lg. pkt. 55¢; ⅛ oz. \$1.25.

PYRETHRUM

1400 Robinson's Hybrids. Perennial. "Painted Daisies" are fine early summer flowers in the garden and for bouquets in the house. Colors are bright crimson, pink and white; flowers are larger and stems longer in our new strain. 2 ft. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ⅛ oz. 85¢.

SUNFLOWER

1535 Sun Gold. A strain of 100% double dwarf sunflower. Plants 4 to 5 feet tall bearing a profusion of brilliant golden yellow blooms measuring 4 to 5 inches in diameter. Plant as a background in full sun for best effect after danger of frost. Thin to 24 in. Pkt. 15¢; lg. pkt. 25¢; ¼ oz. 35¢.

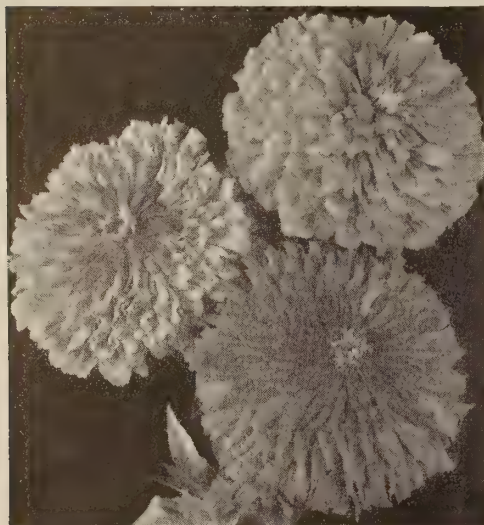
VERBENAS

1525 Mixed Colors. Colorful, dwarf plants, ideal for edgings, ground cover, rock gardens and cutting. Flowers are borne in large trusses from midsummer until late fall. Thrive in poor soil and withstand drought well. Our mixture is a blend of many bright, clear colors. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ⅛ oz. 65¢.

For larger quantities of flower seeds please refer to, or ask for, our "Commercial Grower Quantity Price List."

VERBENAS OFFER YOU GORGEOUS COLORS AND BLOOM LONG AFTER OTHER FLOWERS ARE GONE

ROBSON'S GARDEN OF ZINNIAS



The new Super Giant Zinnias are larger in size, fuller and more prolific than any we have ever grown.

New Super Giant Zinnias

1552 Mixed Colors. Really super giant flowered among zinnias, the flowers are 5½" to 6" across, fully double and are attractively fluffy or informal in a full color mixture including unusual bicolors and shades. Plants are more vigorous and prolific blooming than other types. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. \$1.00.

Cut-and-Come-Again Zinnias

1570 Sunshine Tints, Mixed. The Cut-and-Come-Agains are between the Pompon and Giant Flowered in flower size and are popular for cutting and arrangements. The more they are cut the more they bloom. The colors are rich pastels. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

Red Riding Hood Zinnias

1559 Zinnia gracillima. One of the showiest zinnias. Neat, compact plants 1½ ft. and covered with miniature deep scarlet flowers. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

Giant Cactus-Flowered Zinnias

1578 Giant Cactus-Flowered Hybrids, Mixed Colors. Distinct new type of zinnia that in two years has boomed to high favor with the garden public. Quilled and frilled petals give these new giants a warmth and softness to the flowers—entirely free of the stiffness often associated with other zinnias. Colors are new too—corals, soft shades of yellow, lavender and pinks. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. \$1.00.

1575 BLAZE. Newest of the cactus-flowered type; All-America Award 1954. Flowers open a mandarin-red changing to a fiery orange-scarlet—a distinctive, vivid color. 2½ ft. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ⅛ oz. 65¢.

1576 Floradale Scarlet. A brilliant new scarlet zinnia of the cactus-flowered type. If you like reds you should grow Floradale Scarlet. Flowers are 4" to 5" in diam., ruffled, curled and fully double. 3 ft. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. \$1.00.

1577 Riverside Beauty. Another new variety of the Giant Cactus-Flowered type that is a warm luminous azalea-pink, a new color. 2½ ft. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. \$1.00.

Why are Zinnias the most popular of the summer annuals? Their favor with gardeners is due to their extreme ease of growing, long blooming season, abundance of flowers for cutting, and wide range of colors, flower forms and sizes—miniature to giant blooms. Sow outdoors in full sun after danger of frost. Thin the plants 12" to 15" apart for Giant types and 8" to 10" for the Pompons.

Giant Flowered Zinnias

Illustrated in following color pages

Always popular, these long-stemmed giant dahlia-like flowers are 4" to 5" across. The following varieties we believe are the brightest and clearest colors obtainable. 3 ft.

1541 Canary Bird. Rich canary yellow.

1542 Cherry Queen. Bright cherry red.

1545 Violet Queen. Deep purple.

1546 Crimson Monarch. Deep crimson.

1547 Oriole. Golden orange outer petals and a reddish orange center.

1548 Polar Bear. The best white zinnia.

1549 Miss Willmott. Bright salmony pink.

1550 Will Rogers. Intense scarlet.

Above Colors: Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 80¢.

1540 Mixed Colors. A blend of many fine colors. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

C172 Collection. One packet of each of 8 Dahlia Flowered Varieties listed above. \$1.60 value for only \$1.25.

Pompon Zinnias

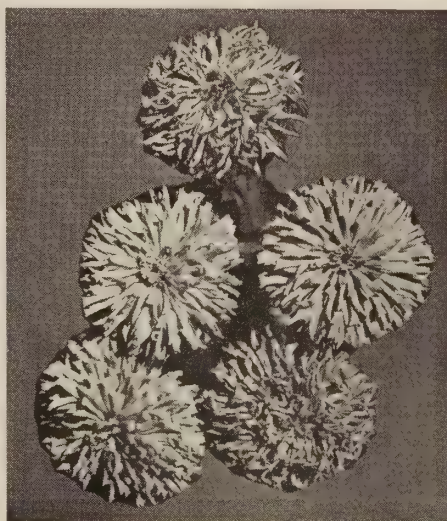
1560 Mixed Colors. Small flowered Pompons are especially popular for cutting and arrangements. Plants are not as tall as the Giants, 2½', and are useful as edgings to borders. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

Crown O' Gold Zinnias

1555 Pastel Tints. Giant-flowered double zinnias in a color range of burnished red, yellow, old rose, cream and carmine. Each petal is overlaid at the base with deep golden yellow. 3 ft. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

Creeping Zinnias

1558 Sanvitalia Procumbens. A low creeping plant that blooms profusely all summer. The flowers resemble miniature yellow Zinnias with warm brown centers. Excellent for masses of brilliant yellows on banks or in rock gardens. Start inside April 21st or in the garden after danger of frost. Thin to 8 inches. Height 3 to 5 inches. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ¼ oz. 80¢.



Giant Cactus-Flowered Zinnias offer a range of pleasing new colors and shades not found in other types.



For a novel and different zinnia try the candy-striped Peppermint Stick.

Peppermint Stick Zinnia

1556 Mixed Colors. New. Flowers are candy-striped as its name suggests in many color combinations such as red and white, red and yellow, carmine and white, orange and yellow. Flowers same popular size of the Cut-and-Come-Agains. 2½-3 ft. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. 90¢.

Persian Carpet Zinnias

Illustrated in color next page

1557 Mixed Colors. Excellent new All-America Award winning zinnia. See colored picture and full description next page. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ⅛ oz. 75¢.

SWEET PEAS

NEW MULTIFLORA SWEET PEAS

Illustrated in color next page

1480 Multiflora, Mixed Colors. An outstanding new strain producing more and larger florets than any other strain. See colored picture and description next page. A little earlier than Cuthbertsons; not quite as heat tolerant. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. \$1.00; oz. \$1.75.

Cuthbertson Sweet Peas

1505 Mixed Colors. This popular new strain of sweet peas stands heat. We find them to be extremely vigorous in vine growth, extra long stemmed, more resistant to summer heat than any other strain. Color range is very complete. Try them—we know you will like them. Pkt. 20¢; ½ oz. 35¢; oz. 60¢.

Summer-Flowering Sweet Peas

1490 Special Summer Flowering Mixture. Later than the Early Flowering in blooming but flowers are larger and vines are more vigorous. Very desirable mixture of a complete range of the best colors. Pkt. 15¢; ½ oz. 30¢; oz. 50¢.

Germination as Determined by State Seed Laboratory is Printed on every packet of flower seeds

ROBSON'S

"Hit Parade"

of better flowers for your garden

PERSIAN CARPET ZINNIAS

1557—MIXED COLORS. Like tiny dahlias, each with its pointed petals tipped with contrast, these perfect miniature Zinnias make the ideal garden edging subject. Dwarf plants begin blooming early; grow into tidy, well-behaved 18" mounds of brilliant color, each plant different. Pick dozens of variegated flowers, each the size of a silver dollar—no two are alike. The foliage is dainty, quite unlike most Zinnias. Persian Carpet is still a real Zinnia—easy to grow, thriving on heat, it produces a wealth of bloom with minimum care. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

Persian Carpet Zinnias
All-America Award



New Multiflora Sweet Peas

MULTIFLORA SWEET PEAS

1480—MIXED COLORS. A new and superior strain of sweet peas—a real achievement in breeding. Under good growing conditions Multifloras will produce longer and stronger stems, larger florets—at least two more florets per stem than any you have grown before. Our mixture includes many colors and they are fragrant. Pkt. 25¢; ½ oz. \$1.00; oz. \$1.75.

Double Ten Weeks
Stocks



TEN WEEKS STOCKS

1465—DOUBLE MIXED COLORS. Many gardeners have not become acquainted with this beautiful summer annual that is valuable for cutting, for delightful fragrance and for its neatness and brightness of colors in the border. First blooms appear about ten weeks after sowing—they continue to flower even after first frosts. Plants are neatly compact, 12 in. high. Colors included in our mixture are white, shades of red, rose, pink, purple and cream. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.



Comanche
Petunia
All-America Award

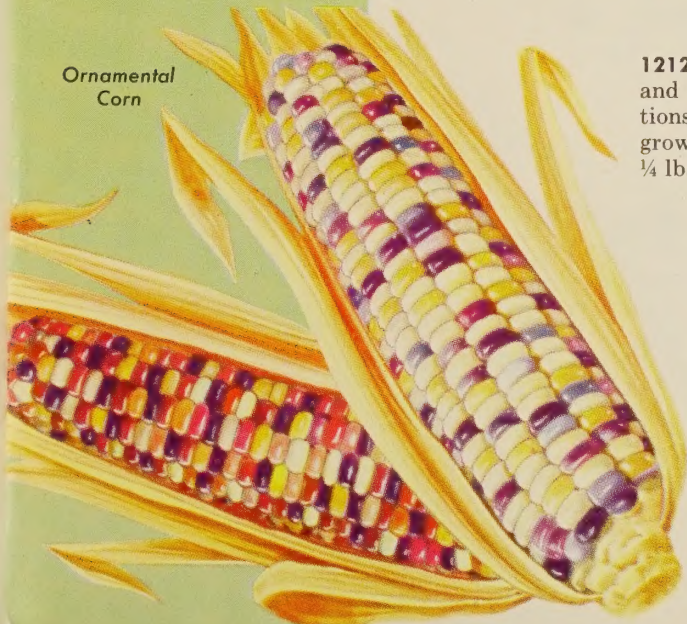
COMANCHE PETUNIA

1373—"Fire engine red" best describes the color of this new, true F1 Hybrid Petunia. Brilliance of color which is retained without fading, vigor of growth and freedom of bloom make Comanche an ideal bedding variety. Pkt. 50¢; lg. pkt. \$1.00.

ORNAMENTAL CORN

1212—Called Indian or Calico corn by many and so popular for fall and winter decorations. It is easy and extremely interesting to grow your own gayly colored corn. Pkt. 25¢; ¼ lb. 45¢; lb. \$1.50.

Ornamental
Corn



PACIFIC GIANT DELPHINIUM

1155—MIXED COLORS. Stately Delphiniums are without question the Queen of garden perennials—and rightfully so. Their tall massive flower spikes bearing 2½" to 3½" double florets are unequalled for a beautiful garden display and for cutting. Colors range from white through shades of blue, lavender and violet. Sow the seeds in April or May for best growth and more winter hardy plants. Pkt. 65¢; lg. pkt. \$1.10; ¼ oz. \$1.65.

Pacific
Giant
Delphinium



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Summer Color
Plant easy to grow Annuals

PORTULACA

1395—DOUBLE MIXED COLORS. For a real color display, even in those dry "problem" spots in your garden, try our new 100% all-double, large flowered Portulaca in a host of new shades. Plants are compact, low growing and cover the ground. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ½ oz. \$1.25.



New All-Double Portulaca

**PAMPAS PLUME
COCKSCOMB**

1098 — MIXED COLORS. Looking for something really unusual? Here's a pest-free annual that will stand any amount of summer heat. You will have baskets full of long stemmed fleecy plumes in all the brilliant colors of autumn leaves: gold, copper, deep red, scarlet and carmine. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 35¢; ½ oz. 85¢



Pampas Plume
Cockscomb

**MAMMOTH MUM
MARIGOLD**

1278—Large, fully-double, soft yellow blooms just like florists' chrysanthemums and they are early too. Flowers are borne on long stems making Mammoth Mum a wonderful variety for cutting. The 3 ft. plants produce quantities of blooms over a long period. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. \$1.25.

Mammoth Mum
Marigold



BALLET ASTERS

1046—BALLET MIXED COLORS. Gardeners have been looking for an early blooming aster that would give them plenty of garden color and flowers for cutting. The new Ballet type do just that; they are 2 to 3 weeks earlier than other types and produce 3"-3½" fully double flowers on 12" stems. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ¼ oz. \$1.00.

Ballet Mixed
Asters



**ROYAL CARPET
ALYSSUM**

1003 — Our newest alyssum, a neat and well-behaved edging for the flower border, is a perfect companion for Carpet of Snow growing only a few inches high and 10" to 15" across. Royal Carpet is rich violet in color and flowers from when only a few weeks old until the end of the season. Pkt. 25¢; lg. pkt. 50¢; ½ oz. \$1.25.

Royal Carpet Alyssum
All-America Award



GIANT FLOWERED ZINNIAS

1540—MIXED COLORS. Kingpin in any zinnia garden is still the large Dahlia-flowered type. Noted for 4" to 5" perfect formal flowers, our mixture contains a blend of only the best clear colored varieties obtainable. Pkt. 20¢; lg. pkt. 40¢; ¼ oz. 75¢.

Choice Mixed Giant Zinnias



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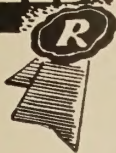
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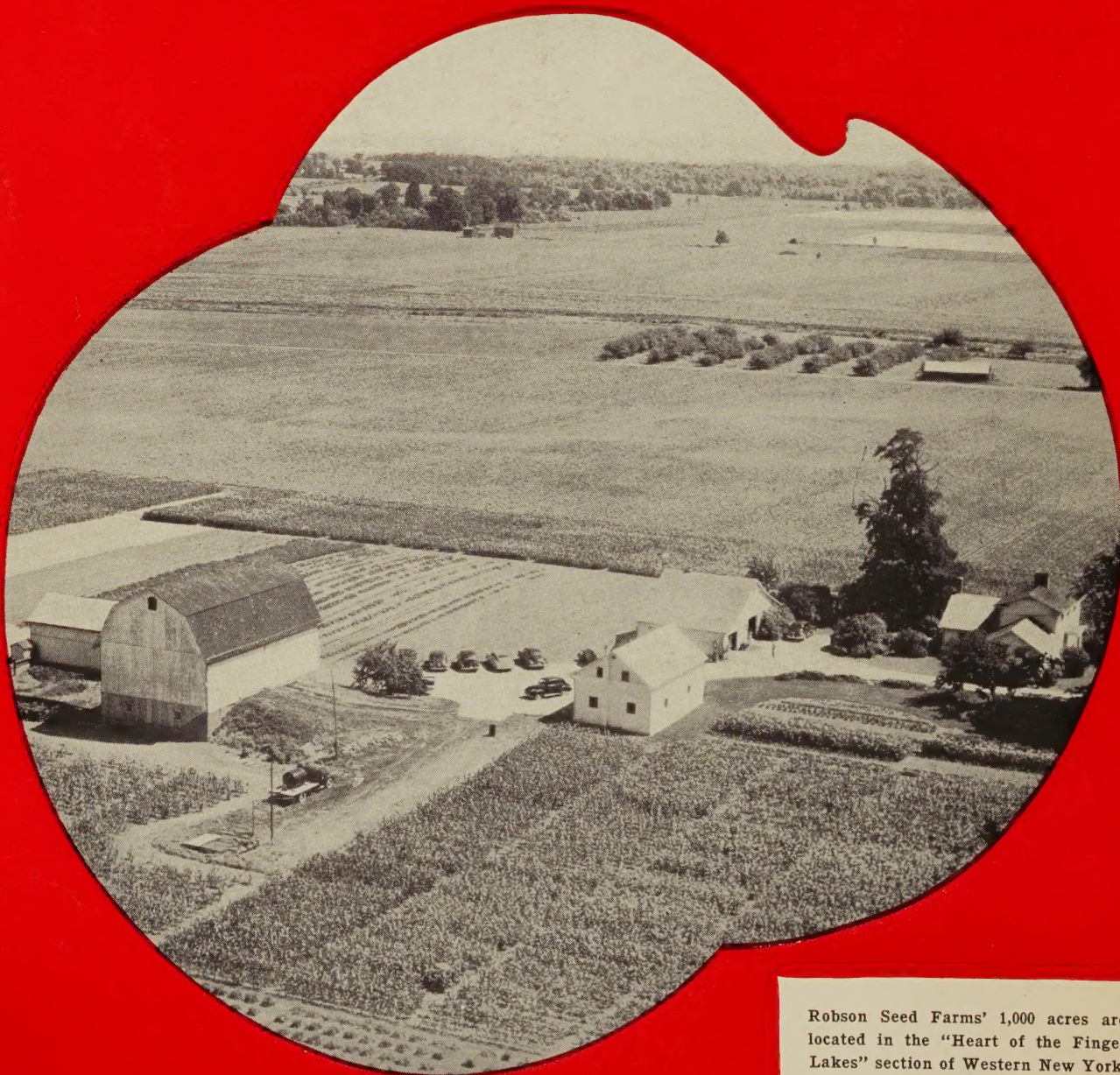
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